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NEW COMER GETS OFF WITH CAUTION

TRADE COMMISSIONER IN COURT FOR DANGEROUS DRIVING

CONTROL AREA QUERY

Mr. W. J. Ruddiford, Assistant Canadian Trade Commissioner, was summoned before Major C. Willson, at the Central Magistrate's court this morning, for driving his motor car in a dangerous manner in Queen's Road East at 9.30 p.m. on January 3.

Defendant said that he did not consider that he was travelling at a speed dangerous to the public at the time.

Traffic Sergeant Baker said that he was on motor cycle patrol in Stubbs Road on the night in question, when he came up behind Mr. Ruddiford's car and followed it to town.

From the junction of Stubbs and Morrison Hill Roads to the Naval Hospital, the defendant's car travelled at 30 miles per hour, and from the hospital to Arsenal Street it went at between 25 and 26 miles per hour.

Did Not Know

Witness followed the car to the Hong Kong Hotel, where he told Mr. Ruddiford the speed at which he had been travelling. Defendant's reply was that he did not know the regulations, having just come to Hong Kong.

What regulations did you understand him to refer to?—That he did not know the control areas.

Queen's Road East is not a control area?—No.

Where does the control area begin?

Traffic Sub-Inspector Alexander said that it started at the bottom of the hill, at the Wanchai School and stretched to the east of the Naval Hospital, beyond the Stubbs and Morrison Hill Roads junction—about 200 yards, all told.

Mr. Ruddiford told the Magistrate that he had been in Hong Kong only since December 30, and did not know that 25 miles per hour was breaking the law.

Sergeant Baker told the Magistrate that the road was clear at the time.

In view of the fact that Mr. Ruddiford is a newcomer, the Magistrate decided to discharge him with a caution.

ROYAL NAVY

Postings to the China Station

Officers of the Royal Navy on their way to Hong Kong, on being posted to ships on the China Station, include:—

Sailed from Home per s.s. Macedonia on December 27:—

Lt. R. Moore, for H.M.S. Hermes, vice Lt. Sellar.

Lt. A. St. J. Edwards, for Hermes, vice Lt. A. B. Usher.

Lt. W. T. Couchman and Lt. G. C. Askew for Hermes.

Lt. K. F. Boxall, for Iroquois, vice Lt. C. G. Little.

Lt. K. A. Short, for Moth, vice Lt. R. Birch.

Sailed per s.s. Aeneas on January 4:—

Lt.-Comdr. A. A. Havers, for Cleala, in command.

Sailed per s.s. Kalyon on January 9:—

Lt.-Comdr. H. S. Sqaunce, for Kent.

Lt.-Comdr. A. E. Dodington, for Hermes, vice Lt.-Comdr. J. A. Garland.

Lt.-Comdr. B. J. L. W. Rogers-Tillstone, for Hermes, vice Wright.

Lt.-Comdr. S. B. de Courcy-Ireland, for Hermes, vice Lt.-Comdr. Camidge.

AIR SPEED RECORD

London to Brussels in 90 Minutes

Rugby, Yesterday.

Covering the distance between London and Brussels in actual flying time of only 90 minutes, at an average speed of 160 miles per hour, a "triple screw" Armstrong-Siddeley air liner, weighing nine tons, and piloted by Captain Rogers of Imperial Airways, today set up a record for a machine of this class.—British Wireless Service.

NATIVE RIOTS IN CAPE PROVINCE

'PROFESSOR' INFLAMES CROWDS AT MASS MEETING

MAYOR INJURED

Carnarvon, Cape Province, Yesterday.

The Mayor and several other Europeans and a number of natives were injured during rioting at the Municipal Offices, due to native dissatisfaction over the holdings on municipal commonage, and inflamed by extremist speeches at a mass meeting by the notorious native agitator "Professor" Thaele, who was arrested, but escaped.—Reuter.

INDIAN FARCE FAILS

Law Puts An End to "No Tax" Movement

Calcutta, Yesterday.

Consequent to the rigid enforcement of the Criminal Code banning all assemblies, the "No Tax" movement has collapsed. One-fourth of the quarterly amount has already been obtained by Bandabala.

Chandra Roy, leader of the movement, is further charged with the attempted murder of the collector.—Reuter.

WINDFALL FOR YALE

\$4,000,000 to Build New Quadrangles

New York, Yesterday.

Mr. Edward Stephen Harkness, whose father was one of the original partners in the Standard Oil Company, has donated nearly \$4,000,000 to Yale University, with which Yale will build five new buildings with quadrangles, modelled on Oxford and Cambridge.—Reuter's American Service.

NAVAL CONFERENCE

Japanese Confer With Premier

Rugby, Yesterday.

The Japanese delegates to the forthcoming Naval Conference again visited Downing Street this afternoon and renewed their conversations with the Premier.—British Wireless Service.

BAD CHARACTER

Woman Witnesses Not Believed

Described as a bad character, Leung Tai-ho, a woman, was at the Kowloon Magistrate's court today sentenced to two months' hard labour on being convicted on two charges of larceny.

The first charge was that she stole one pair of female trousers from the first floor of 77 Reclamation Street, on January 12.

She also attempted by fraud to obtain a gold watch and a gold bangle from the same place.

The Magistrate, after hearing two witnesses for the defence said that it was all nonsense what they had said and that it was more against her than in her favour.

Leung Tai-ho related that she had been a resident of Yau-mat for about 20 years, and had never been before convicted of anything.

ONLY TWO CASES

Calendar for Criminal Sessions

Only two cases are in the calendar for the January Criminal Sessions which open at the Supreme Court at 10 a.m. on Monday. Each Judge will preside at one.

His Honour the Chief Justice (Sir Henry Gollan, C.B.E., K.C., LL.D.) will have before him Hon. Fuk-han alias Lo Cha, who is to be arraigned on an indictment of "robbery by two or more." Detective Inspector C. P. Fallon, of Yau-mat, will be in charge of the Police case.

His Honour the Police Judge (Mr. Justice Wood) will sit in the second Court, in which Mr. Noel Instone, barrister-at-law, hitherto President of the Institute of Bankers Corporation (now in liquidation) is to face three charges, two of making a false statement not on oath and one of making a fraudulent statement.—Mr. Somerset-Fitzroy (Assistant Attorney General) will appear for the Crown and, it is understood, Mr. Eldon Potter, K.C. (instructed by Messrs. Hastings, Denney and Bowler) will defend. Detective Sergeant C. Mottram is the Police officer in charge of the case.

DOLLAR SLIGHTLY RECOVERS

NATIVE BANKS GAIN IMMENSELY

RISE OF ONE FARTHING

As some of the experts predicted after banking hours yesterday, the dollar recovered further today when the telegraphic transfer (T.T.) sterling rate became one shilling, six and seven-eighths pence.

The rise was of a farthing, yesterday's rate being 1/6.5/8d, which was an eighth higher than that of Saturday.

In sympathy with the trend, the price of "double eagles" (i.e. U.S.A. \$20 gold pieces) receded. Whereas gold bars constitute a favourite medium of speculation among Chinese in Shanghai, the double eagle is bought and sold—mostly "on paper"—in the local Chinese Gold and Silver Exchange. This class of business has resulted in a stream of remunerative commissions for the so-called smaller type of native bank which deals in the Exchange on behalf of speculative clients. What with the earnings, during the Ironsides' invasion, in widespread ventures into notes of the Central Bank of China, Canton, and the income from double eagle deals, the native banks are reported to have done so well that they are confidently "tipped" as being not only one of the few "trades" coming out on the right side, but also the most profitable among local Chinese in the (old) calendar year which is now drawing to a close.

Exchange has adversely affected a number of people, both foreign and Chinese, but its nature of late has been a windfall to the so-called "small" native bank.

SUSPECTED MURDER AT TSINWAN

MAN BELIEVED TO HAVE BEEN KILLED WITH CHOPPER

TWO ARRESTS MADE

The preliminary report of a suspected murder at Tsinwan was received at Police Headquarters this morning.

Details are lacking, the report being confined to the statement that a Chinese, aged about 40 years, name and address unknown, was found dead near the Hong Kong Distillery at Tsinwan, having apparently been murdered during the night of January 13 and 14.

The nature of the dead man's wounds was not included in the report, which merely stated that they appeared to have been caused with a chopper.

Two Suspects Held

The brief report concluded with the information that two men are being held by the Police at Tsinwan as suspects. The circumstances leading up to these men's arrest were not given in the report.

Mr. T. Murphy, Chief Detective Inspector, went out to Tsinwan to investigate the affair immediately after the report reached Headquarters, soon after 9 a.m.

Up to 1 p.m., Mr. Murphy had not returned to his office and no supplementary report had come through.

REVENUE STAMP

Tsingtau, Yesterday.

The merchants' "strike" in opposition to the Revenue Stamp levied in Tsingtau has been settled by General Chen Tiao-yuan. The Municipal Authorities have decided to prolong one month from the date before such taxes are put into force. Merchants resumed business on January 13.—Canton News Agency.

MINISTER'S ILLNESS

The Rev. F. C. Young, who is in the Matilda Hospital with pneumonia, passed a very bad night. His condition was very bad this morning, at 1 p.m. the China Mail was informed that there was no change in his condition.

From Messrs. A. B. Moulder & Co., Limited, the China Mail has received two useful date books issued by the Bear Brand Swiss Milk manufacturers.

NAVAL MEN DROWNED

TRAGEDY IN GALE OFF USHANT

23 CASUALTIES

ATLANTIC FLEET TUG SUNK

Rugby, Yesterday.

Three officers and 20 men of the Royal Navy lost their lives in the great gale yesterday evening, when the naval tug Saint Genny sank about 32 miles Northwest of Ushant, in the Bay of Biscay. The drowned officers were Lieutenant Charles Frederick Paul, Commissioned Gunner Philip Lean and Boatswain Charles Burden. The Saint Genny belonged to Chatham and, with the tug Saint Cyrus and the sloop Snapper, left Portland on Saturday for Gibraltar for service with the Atlantic Fleet during the forthcoming manoeuvres. She was a vessel of only 425 tons, used for towing when the fleet was at gunnery practice. The Atlantic Fleet was to have sailed from Portland today, but owing to bad weather its departure has been delayed for 24 hours. Several of the ships lost their masts and other boats in the gale. Thirteen deaths were caused on land by gale.—British Wireless Service.

THE DEATH ROLL

London, Yesterday.

Two more men have been added to the gale death roll. They left Herne Bay in a motor launch and disappeared.

FINE TO-DAY

To-day's weather report from the Royal Observatory states:—

A new anti-cyclone has formed over N. China.

Fresh monsoon prevails along the S.E. coast of China and over the China Sea.

Local forecast:—N. winds; fresh; fine to cloudy.

Rainfall

Rainfall for 1930 0.58 against an average of 0.87 inches.

Temperature and Humidity

The temperature and humidity at certain specified centres this morning at 6 o'clock were:

	Temp.	Humid.
Hong Kong	53	76
Macao	45	86
Manila	70	91
Amoy	52	96
Swatow	52	94
Chefoo	24	87
Pratas Island	67	81
Shanghai	28	88

appeared. The St. Genny tug, of about 425 tons, accompanied by the tug St. Cyrus and the sloop Snapper, hove to in last night's gale to the north west of Ushant. Suddenly the St. Genny foundered. One petty officer and four seamen were picked up by the "Snapper." The news of the disaster was wireless to Portsmouth, whence the cruiser Froisher rushed to the spot to stand by, and assist the Snapper and the St. Cyrus in the meanwhile. She is on her annual move with the Atlantic Fleet from Portland to Gibraltar for the spring exercises, which, scheduled for to-day, have been postponed for twenty-four hours, owing to the gale.

EARLIER NEWS

The Admiralty announces that His Majesty's tug St. Genny belonging to the Target Service attached to the Atlantic Fleet, sank in a gale last night, thirty miles north of Ushant. Five men were saved.

The St. Genny, the sunken tug, was commanded by Lieut. Paul, and was en route to Gibraltar from Portland, for spring exercises. Twenty of the crew drowned.

Fierce gales swept the British Isles yesterday, and the velocity of the wind in the Channel was unofficially estimated at 120 miles an hour, a record for Britain.

There was much damage throughout the country, telephones and telegraph wires being blown down, windows broken, roofs and chimneys damaged, and roads blocked by fallen trees, by which a number of casualties were caused.

There were mountainous seas in the Channel, and lifeboats were sent out to assist the distressed Italian steamer Liane, which a

GERMAN SNUB FOR DR. SCHACHT

REICHSBANK PRESIDENT DROPS A BOMBHELL

ABSURD DEMANDS

The Hague, Yesterday.

Dr. Schacht, President of the Reichsbank, bombshelled the conference when he informed the chairman of the organising committee of the International Bank that he "reserves his attitude" as regards the co-operation of the Reichsbank in the International Bank. The German delegates thereupon proposed that another group of German banks should deposit in the International Bank 100,000,000 marks, interest free, as the Reichsbank had intended.

The creditors accepted the new German proposal in connection with the International Bank. The Germans promised to supply the names of the proposed bankers within 30 hours. Dr. Schacht's attempt to torpedo the conference therefore failed, the delegates severely rebuking him for "interfering in politics."

It is noteworthy that Dr. Schacht refused to become Germany's chief expert when the Government declined strictly to adhere to his Memorandum, but agreed to assist if necessary. His bombshell contained a letter to the chairman of the Bankers' Committee refusing the Reichsbank's co-operation unless the original Young Plan was accepted; unless Great Britain gave up sequestrated German property, and unless France renounced all military and political sanctions.

Mr. Philip Snowden declared that Dr. Schacht could not veto the decisions of the Governments.

Dr. Curtius stated that the friction between the Reichsbank and the German Government would be dealt with by the latter. The conference is proceeding as if Dr. Schacht did not exist.—Reuter.

NURSING THE "DRY" BABY

STEPS TO MAKE PROHIBITION MORE EFFECTIVE

ILLICIT DISTILLERIES

Washington, Yesterday.

The preliminary report of the National Commission of Law Observance and Enforcement recommends the immediate strengthening of the Prohibition law, "if on no other grounds than to give the law a fair trial." The Commission says that it is impossible wholly to separate the observance of the Prohibition Act from the large question of the views and habits of the American people, or to respect their private judgment regarding the regulations affecting their conduct. The Commission proposes the transference of the Prohibition administration from the Treasury to the Department of Justice; a modification of the Prohibition law; more effective legislation relating to the ownership of property used in the manufacture and sale of illicit liquor, and speedier legal proceedings.

President Hoover has forwarded the report to Congress.—Reuter's American Service.

[An earlier message stated: President Hoover's Law Enforcement Commission has abruptly adjourned until February 2. It is understood that the members came to a deadlock on the Prohibition question.]

NOTIFIABLE DISEASE

Ten cases of small-pox, all Chinese, were reported from Hong Kong on January 13, also one case of diphtheria.

Sixteen deaths from small-pox, five from diphtheria, one from influenza, five from malaria, and 45 from tuberculosis, were reported during the week-end. All the victims were Chinese.

REFUSING OLD COINS

Canton, Yesterday.

The Kwangtung Commissioner for Finance issued an order yesterday to the effect that hereafter anyone finding a merchant refusing old coins or discounting them may bring complaint against him before that Department.—Canton News Agency.

steam tug from Dover towed to safety.

Later.

Four men, three women, and one child were killed, and many others injured in last night's gale, mostly through falling trees.—Reuter.

LAWYER ARRESTED AT GENEVA

YOUNG SWISS FOUND IN POSSESSION OF REVOLVER

SENT BACK TO PARIS

Geneva, Yesterday.

The arrested Italian is described as a lawyer living in Paris, and a notorious anti-Fascist. He is unable satisfactorily to explain his presence here and will be sent back to Paris.—Reuter.

WORRIED BY LOSSES

Hatry Crash Leads to Suicide

London, Yesterday.

At the inquest on Stuart, the jury returned a verdict of suicide whilst of unsound mind. The coroner read a letter from Stuart, stating that he suffered enormous losses which overwhelmed him. His solicitor gave evidence and stated that Stuart recently returned from a visit to Brazil, and found the markets against him, owing to the Hatry and Wall Street crashes, and a lot of his investments, particularly rubber, had a tremendous setback.—Reuter.

[Mr. Thomas Martin Chalmers Stuart, a Director of several rubber companies, was found shot dead in his home at Purley.]

RUBBER SCARE

Dutch Alarmed at Native Production

Amsterdam, Yesterday.

Dutch rubber producers have appointed a committee to confer with British and other foreign producers on how to improve the rubber industry. They have voted £2,000 expenses particularly to cover the cost of a mission to the Dutch East Indies to discuss the regulation of the plantation of native production.—Reuter.

SCIENTIST'S DEATH

Inventor of Ferranti Alternator

London, Yesterday.

The death is announced of Ziani De Ferranti, aged 66, a former President of the Institute of Electrical Engineers, and the member of the Ferranti Alternator (1882). He was chief electrician to the London Electric Supply Corporation.—Reuter.

SNOW BLOCKS ROADS

1,300 Cars Held Up By Blizzard

San Francisco, Yesterday.

One thousand three hundred motorists are snowbound in a blizzard which swept over California. Frantic efforts are being made to clear the roads with snowploughs.—Reuter's American Service.

NEVER TOUCHES PIGS

Magistrate and Indian Policeman

The dislike of pigs by Mohammedans was raised at the Kowloon Magistrate's court this morning when four Chinese women, who were charged with cruelty to two pigs by failing to provide sufficient matting, alleged that the Indian constable had taken the matting out of the two crates.

According to the defendants, they had a witness to prove that the policeman did take the matting out of the crates but that the witness who was a stranger to them all, was not in Court.

Sergeant Groves pointed out that one of the pigs had its four legs protruding out of the crate, whilst the other had two legs in the same predicament.

His Worship (to the policeman): Are you a strict Mohammedan?

The Indian constable: Yes, I am. I never touch pigs.

The Magistrate said he disbelieved the defendant's story and, seeing that they were all women, he would fine them \$5 each.

LEFT JAIL TO GET DRUNK

JAPANESE WHO CELEBRATED HIS RELEASE TOO WELL

KNOWN TO ALL THE POLICE

"I thought you said you were not going to drink any more this year," remarked Mr. T. S. Whyte-Smith at the Kowloon Magistrate's court this morning, when H. Tashijima (46), a Japanese shoemaker, of 32, Nathan Road, was again charged with being drunk and incapable in Mody Road.

The defendant, who had a red face and a sleepy gesture, admitted that he had had a little too much.

Detective Sergeant Humphreys said that the defendant must have been celebrating his discharge from jail last evening after serving one week.

Terrible Disturbance

Mr. D. Ogilvie pointed out that the defendant caused a terrible disturbance to the neighbours. It was getting disgusting. Mr. Ogilvie said that he personally went into the defendant's shop last night at 11.45, and there saw dishes, plates, partitions, bottles and water, all over the floor. The man himself was in an awful state.

The Magistrate remarked that the defendant was evidently not so peaceful as he appeared to be when he took to drink.

Very Violent

Sergeant Humphreys indicated that Tashijima was known to all the police force. They had never taken his finger prints, because he was apt to become very violent and fight.

Mr. Ogilvie said that it was getting too far, but the residents had never called the police in before, but on this occasion he avowed all the populace with his noise and shouting.

The police officer pointed out that it was of no use to bind the man over, because the last time that he was fined or given one month, he came out and carried on just the same.

Promise Broken

The Magistrate fined the defendant \$25, with the option of three weeks' hard labour.

The defendant: Why this time three weeks? Last time only one week to sit in jail!

Mr. Whyte-Smith sternly told the defendant that he had failed to keep his promise to stop drinking, and another thing was that he behaved in a very absurd way last night, when only just out of jail.

PALESTINE RIOTS

Mandates Commission & British Report

Rugby, Yesterday.

This afternoon the meeting of the Council of the League of Nations was devoted entirely to an examination of the work of the permanent mandates commission. In regard to the date of the extraordinary session of the mandates commission for examination of the British report on the troubles in Palestine, Mr. Henderson, British Foreign Secretary, intimated that he could not agree to March, as proposed by the commission. He explained that the report of the British Commission of Enquiry could not be ready by that time.

At its morning meeting the Council examined the various reports submitted by the Italian delegate, Signor Grandi, regarding the procedure for the acceleration of the ratification of the conventions. Mr. Henderson assured the Council that it was the desire of the British Government to see that all conventions of the League were brought into force as soon as possible.—British Wireless Service.

C.E.R. RAILWAY

Dismissal of the Chinese Staff

Shanghai, Yesterday.

Harbin reports that Chinese officials there are considerably excited at the sudden action of the new Soviet manager of the C.E.R. in dismissing all Chinese staff members appointed after July 10 last, when the Chinese took over control of the railway.

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UNIVERSITY CONGREGATION

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of further contributions have been obtained. This, you will agree, is an admirable illustration of the spirit of self-help and service to the University.

Mr. Fung's Munificent Donation

And now I come to a matter which has afforded the utmost satisfaction to the University authorities. During the period under review the University received a donation of \$120,000 from Mr. Fung Ping-shan for the provision of a building for a Chinese Library in the University. He has given \$100,000 for the building and equipment and \$20,000 as a contribution to the endowment fund to meet the maintenance charges of the Library. In providing a sum for the recurring expenditure on the maintenance of the Library Mr. Fung Ping-shan has set a most commendable precedent. It is not often remembered that when donations are made for a building for a particular object, the University has as a matter of course to be financially responsible for its maintenance; and in many cases this is an item of some magnitude. A site on the University estate has been selected for the proposed Library and it is expected that its erection will be commenced shortly. I desire, on behalf of the University, to voice its grateful acknowledgment of the munificence of Mr. Fung Ping-shan; and I can imagine no more appropriate record of it than the handsome building in contemplation.

I will finish my account of the building activities within the University by referring to the conversion, during last year, of the building at the western entrance of the University into a laboratory for the Biological Department, which was urgently needed.

Financial Aspect Gloomy

It is natural that the academic aspect of a University should stand out most clearly in the public mind. But of equal, though more prosaic, importance is the financial aspect. A University cannot, any more than a business concern, outrun the costable without dire results. And the Budget for 1930, which has passed the University Court, does not make exhilarating reading. For it shows expenditure at \$666,345 and revenue at \$603,500; or a deficit of a little over \$60,000; and recent currency movements may increase this figure to \$80,000. Now I wish at once to emphasise the fact that this prospective deficit is not due to extravagance or to any avoidable cause; it is in the main the result of the fall in the exchange value of the dollar, which most of us outside the University have equal reason to deplore. The salaries of the permanent University teaching and administrative staffs are on a sterling basis; and in translating sterling salaries into dollars a loss of over \$50,000 alone is entailed on University funds under existing currency conditions.

Salaries Anxiety

Furthermore, the subject of the adequacy or otherwise of these salaries has provided grave cause for anxiety; for, without adequate recompense, teaching and administrative standards cannot be maintained. Besides, the labourer is worthy of his hire, and none more than he who is engaged in the honourable, invaluable and exacting work of education. His Excellency, as Chancellor of the University, appointed a Committee to go into the matter during last year; and the Committee has reported in no uncertain terms as to the utter inadequacy of these salaries. But if effect is to be given to its recommendations an additional annual expenditure of \$140,000 will be required with the dollar at 1/8, and of \$176,000 with the dollar at 1/6. Add this amount to the existing budget deficit of \$80,000 and you will get an aggregate of \$256,000 in excess of revenue.

It is obvious that without assistance from outside the University cannot face this increased expenditure.

Government Aid Needed

The University Court has asked the Colonial Government to enlarge its annual grant of \$50,000 to one of \$250,000 per annum. If the dollar had remained at 1/8, this increase would have enabled the University to balance its Budget comfortably and to make the long overdue and much needed additions to salaries. With the dollar at 1/6, unless the resources of the University are still further increased by a grant out of the Boxer Indemnity or from other sources, it will be impossible, until exchange improves, to give full effect to the recommendations of the Salaries Committee.

Now the request even for an additional grant from Government of \$200,000 is a large demand to make; it requires justification. I propose to justify it, mainly by the experience of the British Government with regard to its contribution for University purposes. I think I am entitled to say, categorically, that without these contributions, supplemented by grants from Local Authorities, no University in the United Kingdom could keep its doors open; so it becomes most pertinent to ascertain what proportion these contributions and grants bear to the total income of certain typical Universities in the United Kingdom. In the case of most of them, these contributions and grants are in excess of fifty per cent. of their respective total incomes; while to cite some individual instances, Bristol University receives 70 per cent. from these sources; Exeter University College, 78 per cent.; Leeds University, 59 per cent.; Nottingham University College, 67 per cent.; Sheffield University, 61 per cent.; Aberystwyth University College, 70 per cent. So far as income from endowments is concerned, the proportion to total income in the case of Bristol University is 7.3 per cent.; of Exeter University College, 2.3 per cent.; of Leeds University, 5.7 per cent.; of Sheffield University, 5.7 per cent.; and of Aberystwyth University College, 6.7 per cent.

Present Grant Only 9 Per Cent.

In striking contrast to these figures the University of Hong Kong at present receives, for the general purposes of the University, \$50,000 per annum from the Colonial Government which represents merely 9 per cent. of its total income; and an increase in the amount of the grant to \$250,000 per annum would only bring the Government contribution to about 33 per cent. of the total income of the University. Furthermore, as showing the generous manner in which contributions have been made by members of the public to the Endowment Fund of the University, the income derived from this source amounts to about \$300,000 or about 50 per cent. of its total income at present the Charter Committee, 1908, estimated and nearly five times the sum which is the probable total annual expenditure of the University.

Even if the Government grant is increased to \$250,000 a year as suggested, the University would not be fully supplied, financially. It could not, for the reasons I have mentioned, give, for the present, any but a small increase to existing salaries, and would only be enabled to carry on its present activities without running into debt. Further development will be contingent upon the acquisition of funds from other sources.

Negotiated Support

As showing how, under existing conditions, the development of the University may be hampered, and how the generosity of members of the public may be made unavailable, I am able to give a most striking example. A donation of \$60,000 was made by Mr. Tang Chi-ning last year for the provision of a building for the School of Chinese Studies but it has not been utilised as yet owing to the uncertainty as to whether the requisite funds for maintaining the school as a permanent institution will be forthcoming or not. A further sum of \$200,000 was collected by the local Chinese community for the endowment of this school, but the interest on this sum only amounts to about \$14,000 a year while the ultimate annual cost of the school is estimated to be \$60,000. At present the balance is being provided by Government from year to year as a provisional and temporary measure. The Finance Committee of the University hold a very strong opinion that it would not be business-like to proceed with the building scheme on this precarious basis; to say nothing of the injustice that would be done if the school had to be closed before any student had completed the prescribed four years of the Course.

Enlargement or Stagnation?

Sir, I stand here to offer no apology on behalf of the University of Hong Kong. It has advanced beyond the stage of apology and depreciation; it can, and must, stand on its own merits. The Academic successes of its graduates proclaim

the worth of its professorial staff. The degrees it confers have recognition throughout the British Empire. But the same economic law dominates the development of a business and a University. An increasing business must increase, correspondingly, its working capital, or its very success may land it in bankruptcy. The same rule holds good in the case of the University. If the additional contribution asked for from the Colonial Government is made, the University can despite the serious loss due to the fall in exchange, carry on its work within existing limits for a time more or less considerable; but if its activities are to be extended, its sphere of usefulness enlarged, and its duty to the Teaching and Administrative staffs fulfilled then further financial resources must be provided. Otherwise a condition of stagnation must inevitably be faced; and stagnation, whether in an institution or in an individual, is the pre-cursor of death.

But I am an incurable optimist, and confident that the fount of private generosity which has proved so bountiful in the past, will continue to flow more and more freely as the work of the University is more clearly realised.

Before concluding I should like to express our cordial appreciation of the good offices of Mr. Mason and his choir in making it possible to have the University Anthem sung this afternoon. The Anthem as many of you know was originally composed as an inaugural one by Sir Cecil Clementi and was sung at the opening of the University in 1912. His Excellency has now revised certain parts of the Anthem so as to make it suitable for general occasions; and it is singularly appropriate and fortunate that it has been practicable to have the revised Anthem sung for the first time at this Congregation—the last at which His Excellency will officiate as Chancellor of the Hong Kong University.

His Excellency the Chancellor then conferred the Degree of Doctor of Laws (in Honoris Causa) on His Honour the Chief Justice, Sir Henry Gollan, Kt., K.C., C.B.E.

Afterward the Dean of the Faculty of Medicine presented the following graduates on whom degrees were conferred as under:—

Degree of doctor of medicine.—

Dr. Mustapha Bin Osman, M.B., B.S.

Degree of bachelor of medicine and bachelor of surgery.—Au King, Chan Ping-ling, Cheah Cheng-poh, Cheung Shui-fan, Antonio Paulo Gutierrez, Ku Hsueh-chi, Kwok Ying-kong, Loh Siow-hock, Pang Hock-ko, Shi Man-wai, Tean Tse-ming and Yu Chiu-kwong.

In Absentia.—Lee Chuen-hing, Lim Poh-tye, Teh Yok-chin, Teh Hui-seng, Wong Boon-hin and Yang Pao-chang.

Then the Dean of the Faculty of Engineering presented the following graduates who received degrees:—

Degree of master of science in engineering.—Sheikh Basheer Ahmed, B.Sc.

Degree of bachelor of science in engineering.—Francisco Joaquim Maria Jorge, Sam Rustum Kermani, Ker Hong-bee, Woo Chok-heng and Yuen Tat-cho.

The Dean of the Faculty of Arts then presented the following graduates for degrees:—

Degree of bachelor of arts.—Chan Fung-ke, Samuel Victor Gik-son, Kwan Yim-chor, Kwong Sik-kwong, Lee Hua-tshai, Lee Pui-tong, Adelina Maria dos Remedios and Tan Gim-ann.

In Absentia.—Lee Ho-tung, Mok York-jun and Tan Tang-kau.

The Scholarship winners in Medicine, Engineering and Arts were then presented by the Vice-Chancellor as under:—

Faculty of Medicine.—Ho Fook and Chan Kai-ming Scholarships, Dr. Antonio Paulo Gutierrez, on the results of the 5th M.B., B.S. examination; Blake Scholarship, Dr. Cheung Shui-fan; Ho Fook and Chan Kai-ming Scholarships, Mr. Kuo Shao-chou, on the results of the 3rd M.B., B.S. examination; Ng Li-hing Scholarship, Mr. Cheung Kung-leung.

Scholarship winners in the Faculty of Engineering were as follow.—Ho Fook Scholarship, Mr. Leonard Alfred

Oppenheim; Chan Kai-ming Scholarship, Mr. Fow Yue-tum.

Scholarship winners in the Faculty of Arts.—Ho Fook Scholarship, Miss Choy Wal-haan; Chan Kai-ming Scholarship, Mr. Mak Kai-hung.

Chancellor's Address

His Excellency the Chancellor then addressed the Congregation, thus:—

Members of the Congregation of the University of Hong Kong:—

It has been a great pleasure to me this afternoon, by virtue of the authority vested in me as Chancellor, to confer upon Sir Henry Gollan, Chief Justice of Hong Kong and acting Vice-Chancellor of this University, the honorary degree of Doctor of Laws. In him we honour not only an eminent judge, who commands universal respect in this Colony, but also a firm friend of the University of Hong Kong, well-tried at need, and willing to serve the University at considerable sacrifice to himself. When it became necessary for Mr. Hornell, our Vice-Chancellor, to proceed on leave of absence to England, partly for a well-deserved rest, and partly to plead our cause with His Majesty's Government for a grant to this University from Boxer Indemnity funds, Sir Henry Gollan, in spite of the heavy duties which his position as Chief Justice entails, was not only willing to take upon himself the work of acting Vice-Chancellor, but made it a condition of doing so that no remuneration whatever should be paid to him on this account. He has thus given the University from incurring considerable expenditure. More than that, Sir Henry Gollan at my request agreed to undertake the difficult and unenviable task of presiding over the committee which has recently reported upon the conditions of salary, and service of the academic staff of the University. In this work he had the assistance of two members of the University Court, namely, Mr. Paul Lander, our Honorary Treasurer, and the Honourable Dr. Ts'o Seen-wan, upon whom the University has already conferred its honorary degree of Doctor of Laws. I take this opportunity of thanking the Committee members in which its duties have been discharged. My only regret in this connection, is that Sir Henry Gollan intends shortly to retire on pension and that, therefore, this is the last occasion on which he will be present at a Congregation of this University. I, too, am unlikely to be present ever again at a Congregation, for I am about to lay down my duties as Chancellor. I shall do so with the deepest regret, for my work here has been a labour of love and I have felt most strongly that nowhere have I better or more enduring service been rendered to Hong Kong than in this University. I can but hope that at Singapore, which is not very far away, I may still have some opportunity of helping you.

Useful Suggestions

In his address to the Congregation Sir Henry Gollan has just dwelt upon the financial difficulties which beset the University, and I wish now, as your Chancellor, to suggest the means whereby these financial difficulties may be overcome. There are in my opinion, apart from the donations by private benefactors, which have been very generously given, two sources, to which the University may properly look for help. The first is the Government of Hong Kong. When the Colony's budget for this year was under discussion in the Legislative Council during last September, the Honourable Mr. W. E. L. Shenton, speaking of the measure of financial assistance given from the public purse to Universities in England, said:—"A Royal Commission was appointed presided over by the Right Honourable Mr. Asquith in the year 1919, as a result of which very large Government grants were made, and to-day, roughly, the Government provides, either direct or through local authorities, 50 per cent. of the revenue of Oxford University, 45 per cent. of the revenue of Cambridge University, and 50 per cent. of the revenue of Birmingham University, 70 per cent. of the revenue of Bristol University, and 60 per cent. of the revenue of Leeds University. In fact out of the total income of the Universities of Great Britain about 50 per cent. is contributed by either Government or local authorities. The conclusion that follows from an examination of these facts is that this Colony must accept the Hong Kong University as an integral and essential part of its education scheme and must give it that adequate support which would justify us in continuing to call it a University on the British model. The minimum annual sum which the Government should contribute to the University is \$200,000." I welcomed these remarks, at the time when they were made, both as Chancellor of the University and

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MENADO MARU... Thursday, 23rd January.
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SHIPPING SECTION.

ATLANTIC SERVICE

Two New U.S. Liners to Be Constructed

Washington, Yesterday.
The Postmaster-General has put
a plan for a new service in the
North Atlantic, involving the con-
struction of two new liners capable
of a five-day crossing from New York
to Cherbourg via Southampton.—Reu-
ter's American Service.

SWEDISH SHIPPING

Its Economic Importance to the Country

Dealing with this question before
the Shipping Association of Malmö
recently, Captain B. Zander, of
Stockholm, stated that the value
of the tonnage of the Swedish merchant
fleet could be computed at 420,000,000
kr. and the annual gross freight re-
ceipts at about 300,000,000 kr. The
fleet occupies the fourth position
among the country's branches of in-
dustry, and is only surpassed by the
paper, wood and engineering in-
dustries. A sum of about 180,000,
000 kr. of the gross freight receipts is
reckoned to remain in the country, and
the fleet is an important source of re-
venue, not the least from the cir-
cumstance that it is these receipts
which practically regulate the
Swedish trading balance, and render
it active.

During the four year ended with
1928 the captain said that the large
native shipyards have built ships for
the Swedish merchant fleet of the value
of about 76,000,000 kr., while the
works of repair have yielded a fur-
ther amount of 60,000,000 kr. As
compared with the receipts from ship-
ping, the merchant fleet requires less
capital additions than any other of the
country's leading industries, and this
alone is claimed to be adapted to in-
crease the interest in shipping.
Sweden has every reason to seek to
assert its position with greater power.
At present, the captain stated, that
the native fleet does not stand in pro-
portion to the Swedish share in the
trade of the world. Despite
many new vessels it is nevertheless a
fact that ships of over 25 years old
in Sweden still form 32 per cent. of
the tonnage, but only 15 per cent. of
the world's tonnage.

JUNK CREW RESCUED

Last night Police Sergeant Gowan
took to the Water Police Station
seven Chinese men who were turned
over to the Police launch by the
master of the s.s. Cheung Kong who
reported that he had picked the men
up from the sea just outside British
waters. They were clinging to a
capsized junk when sighted and re-
scued in the early evening.

KOHATSU MARU

The Kohatsu Maru which was re-
ported to be aground at Junk Bay
was towed back to Hong Kong yester-
day by the tugs, Taikee and Henry
Kewick.

The ship lay at Kowloon Bay prior
to being taken to dock for repairs.

CZECHO-SLOVAK FREE ZONE

The lease, for 99 years, of an area
within the Hamburg Free Port for
Czechoslovakia for inland traffic to
and from Czechoslovakia has now be-
come effective, in accordance with the
decision pronounced by the commission
appointed for the purpose under the
peace treaty. The total area com-
prises upwards of 31,000 square yards
of territory, with a water frontage of
approximately 650 yards, and the
lessee acquires a right to use the ad-
jacent water area for transshipment
purposes. The up-stream Elbe traffic
from Hamburg consisted in 1928 of
1,742,000 tons of goods of which
357,000 tons were for Czechoslovakia.
Of the total down-stream traffic,
amounting to 3,650,000 tons, 671,000
tons were Czechoslovak goods in
transit overseas.

LIFE-SAVING AT SEA

Demonstration of An Italian Invention

London.—Representatives of the
Board of Trade, Lloyd's Register, the
big shipping companies, maritime
societies, and naval attaches were
impressed by a demonstration of the
De Faveri Life Saving Suit, shown
by means of film at the Regent
Street Polytechnic. This Italian in-
vention is a simple suite of water-
proof tissue—like a motorist's over-
all.

It is based on the discovery of
an application of the physical prin-
ciple of the floating of bodies, by
means of which, through a special
regulation of the weight of the
human body, the trunk and the head
remain at once and constantly above
water, no matter how the immersion
may have occurred. The watertight
compartments in the suit are blown
out by breathing into the valvular
terminals of four small tubes.

It is being taken up by the Ita-
lian Navy, and is useful for the mer-
chant service, lifeboats, aeroplanes,
and the rescue of shipwrecked passen-
gers and crew, and repair work in water
under ships' hulls. Even when the
suit is open and contains water the
wearer can remain afloat.

It costs about £8 or £9, and weighs
seven pounds. It is possible to swim
in the suit, or remain afloat on the
water for days. Rations and signal-
ling apparatus are carried in pockets
in the suit. The surrounding air
keeps the wearer warm.

The official film shown depicted
the experiments conducted at the
naval port of Spezia under the aus-
pices of the Italian Minister of
Marine. If an actual demonstration
can be given in Britain it will sub-
stantially develop the film display,
way. Mr. G. Ucelli, late managing
director of the Lloyd Triestino, is the
London representative, at 110, Fen-
church Street, E.C.3. It is being ar-
ranged to manufacture the suit in
Britain.

PROGRESS OF FRENCH PORTS

Very satisfactory returns have again
been issued in connection with traffic
at Bordeaux. In October 247 ships
entered the port and 248 left, a total
of 495 ships; the 247 ships aggregated
373,475 tons, while the total net ton-
nage of the 248 vessels amounted to
384,813 tons. A combined total of
758,288 tons net. During October im-
ports aggregated 317,175 tons and ex-
ports 108,250 tons, a total of 425,425
tons of goods handled. Passengers
landed amounted to 851 and embarked
5,116, a total of 5,967.

Special interest attaches to the
fact that these figures indicate con-
siderable progress when compared
with the preceding year. As regards
the net register tonnage of vessels,
the figure of 700,000 tons was ex-
ceeded during eight months out of
ten of 1929. As regards goods
handled, the figure of 400,000 tons
was exceeded for nine months out
of the ten months of 1929.

The total tonnage of vessels as
from the beginning of 1929 works
out at 7,322,733 tons, and that of
goods handled at 4,354,737 tons. It
is noteworthy that the above figures
relative to the first ten months of
1929 are but a little lower than the
whole figures for the twelve months
of 1928—striking evidence of Bor-
deaux's progress.

The recent return of traffic at
Brest shows the satisfactory progress
of the French port, which, owing to
its remarkable natural facilities, back-
ed by the untiring efforts of the
Chamber of Commerce, ranks high
among ports. During August the
total tonnage of goods handled at
Brest amounted to 96,872 tons com-
pared with 46,831 tons in August
1928, while during September, 1929,
the total tonnage of goods handled
was 67,284 compared with 44,742 tons
in September, 1928. From January
1 to October 1, 1929, the total ton-
nage of goods handled was 545,741
tons, whereas the figures for the cor-
responding period in 1928 were only
467,139 tons, a difference of 95,602
tons.

SHIPBUILDING IN DENMARK

THE INCREASE IN FISHING VESSELS

COPENHAGEN'S PROGRESS

As is well known, the shipbuilding
industry in Denmark is now flourish-
ing, but there is a new feature in it
which deserves attention. Already
mention has been made of the increas-
ing building of fishing vessels which
is centred in the Frederikssund
Skibsvaerft (Frederikssund shipbuild-
ing yard). The principal orders so
far have been delivered to Iceland,
as many as three vessels having been
recently delivered to that country.
Another vessel has just been built
and delivered to Gdynia for the Polish
Government. More orders are on
hand for Iceland and Greenland, as
well as for the Faroe Islands. The
rescue of shipwrecked passengers and
of lucrative fishing on the shores of
Greenland and Iceland has brought
about this increasing building. Be-
sides, orders have also been received
from Norway and Portugal. An im-
portant order has just been placed
with the Burmeister and Wain ship-
yard in Copenhagen for a 15,000-ton
tanker to the Standard Shipping Com-
pany, New York.

Port Progress

The free port of Copenhagen, which
this year may celebrate its 35 years'
existence, is the subject of articles in
the Danish shipping press. The free
port has made such rapid progress
since its establishment that it may
well be proud of its career. In com-
paring the free port of Copenhagen
with the free ports in Sweden, it is
pointed out that the Swedish free
ports—Stockholm, Gothenburg, and
Malmo—have less quayage jointly
than Copenhagen. The ground area
of the port has increased from 47,000
square metres to 201,600 square
metres. Consequently there is an en-
ormous space for goods. There are
now three large grain elevators, one
pneumatic plant with four suction to-
wers, 44 electrical cranes, seven steam
cranes, cranes, and a number of
elevators and mechanical appliances
of all kinds. Ships of all nations call
at the port.

It may be of interest to mention
that there is also a question of mak-
ing Aarhus a free port. The matter
has already been ventilated before, but
not taken up seriously until it was dis-
cussed at the general meeting of the
Chamber of Commerce of Aarhus.
The matter is yet only at a prepara-
tory stage, but the fact that it has
been raised will now doubtless lead
to its being followed up.

The Baltic season is drawing to a
close, and cargoes are getting scarce,
but the exceptionally mild weather is
keeping the navigation open, so that
the rates have not declined so much
as is usually the case by this time of
the year.

IMPROVED TRADE AT CORK

The accounts of Cork Harbour
Board for twelve months give the
total income as £27,747, against
£23,413 for the corresponding period
last year, an advance of £4,334. The
expenditure was £24,016, against
£23,681. There was an increase in
the receipts both from dues on ton-
nage and goods. The tonnage dues
yielded £31,408, and those on goods
£23,414. The corresponding amounts
in the previous year were £29,583 and
£21,687.

The net revenue gain for the year
was £2,011, a satisfactory amount,
showing that the business of the port
has steadily progressed.

The increase in the tonnage re-
ceipts from goods represented by
£1,797 shows a substantial improve-
ment in the import trade of the port,
while there has also been a large in-
crease in the number of vessels which
use the port.

CONSIGNEES' NOTICES

Consignees of cargo ex s.s. "City
of Kobe" are reminded to take
delivery of their goods which will be
subject to rent after January 16.

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of their goods which will be subject
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ROCKET OF DISTRESS

"The University of Hong Kong
is faced with a deficit of nearly
\$80,000 owing to recent currency
movements . . . if effect is to
be given to the recommendations
for an additional annual ex-
penditure of \$140,000, the University
will have to face an aggregate of
\$256,000 in excess of revenue
with the present dollar rate."

In giving effect to this solemn
declaration at the University
Congregation the Vice-Chancellor,
the Hon. Sir Henry Gollan, was
not emulating the "Gloomy
Dean." He was merely stating
cold, hard facts that get colder
and harder the more they are
studied. How far they may make
an impression on the community,
particularly the Chinese section
who have gained immeasurably
in the past—and shall gain no
less in the future—through
the advantages that the Univer-
sity confers upon them, we
cannot say. Let those who would
identify themselves in any way,
direct or indirect, with the work
of the University ponder deeply
over the unfortunate disclosures
made by the Vice-Chancellor.
And, having done that, let them
turn next to His Excellency the
Governor's words: "If this
University for lack of funds
should be crippled or killed, the
loss of prestige to the Colony
would be immense and a very
severe blow would be struck to
British interests, not only in
Hong Kong, but in China as well."

As suggestions to extricate the
University from its financial
morass Sir Cecil Clements has

very properly referred to the
Boxer Indemnity funds and the
advisability of an increased grant
from the local Government. Be-
hind both suggestions there is a
wealth of reason and sense. It
may not be sufficient for Sir Cecil
Clements and Mr. W. Hornell to
plead the cause of the University
with the British Government so
far as concerns the Boxer In-
demnity funds. Excellent plead-
ers though they be, it is essential
that they should have the entire
community behind them. An op-
portunity, therefore, must be
given to the community as a
whole to associate itself with
such an appeal to Downing Street.
If such an opportunity is afford-
ed and not taken the fullest ad-
vantage of by the community,
then no more need be said: it
shall unfortunately be demon-
strated that the community as a
whole is purblind or grossly in-
different to the true value of the
University. Which, of course, is
unthinkable. The writing is on
the wall—placed there by the
hand of the retiring Governor of
the Colony and Chancellor of the
University—"If the Univer-
sity . . . be crippled or killed the
loss of prestige to the Colony
would be immense and a very
severe blow would be dealt to
British interests."

The other suggestion—an in-
creased grant from the Govern-
ment of Hong Kong—is one that
ought easily to be carried into
effect, with, of course, the con-
descending approval of Downing
Street. Here, again, the com-
munity can render valiant service
by stolidly supporting a local
Government proposal to increase
the present grant. But here, too,
it must likewise be given ade-
quate opportunity to identify it-
self with the local Government's
policy. Everything cannot always
be left to the Unofficial members
of the Legislative Council, some
of whom notoriously represent
only themselves.

If the worst comes to the worst
—and few can foresee all ultimate
beneficial effects of exchange upon
the University finances—then
other drastic measures must be
taken to save the University from
shipwreck upon the rocks of
finance. There is no middle
course to pursue. Either the
University must be adequately
maintained financially or it must
go under. It is for the Home
Government to send out a lifeline;
it is for the local Government to
hold out a spar; it is for the en-
tire community to man the life-
boat. The rocket of distress has
already been fired! The call is
urgent for volunteers!

News in Brief

There will be a Public Lecture at
the Helena May Institute on Tues-
day January 21, when Father Finn
will speak on "Gothic Art."—Advt.

The Hong Kong branch of the
Honourable Company of Master
Mariners are giving a dinner to be
held in honour of Capt. O. H.
Farrar, O.B.E. and the officers of
the s.s. Hatching at the Hong Kong
Hotel on Saturday night.

Major and Brevet Lieut. Colonel
J. R. Melkjohn, D.S.O., has been
promoted Lieut. Colonel, from
December 10, 1929 and Captain
C. G. Carruthers, M.C., is promoted
to Major. Both officers were serving
with the 2nd Battalion in Tientsin.

Captain N. A. Thorp, R.O.S.B.,
who has been Home on leave for
six months, sailed from South-
ampton on the City of Marseilles
last Tuesday and will resume his
appointment as Staff Captain, China
Command, on arrival in Hong Kong.

Two Chinese were charged
at the Kowloon Magistracy this
morning with the unlawful posses-
sion of six iron bars. They were
remanded for 48 hours and told
to "get very busy" and find the
man, who according to the defend-
ants' story, gave them the metal
to carry.

A fine of \$10 with the alter-
native of fourteen days' jail with
hard labour was imposed by Mr.
T. S. Whyte-Smith at the Kowloon
Magistracy to-day, on a Chinese
who was found guilty of trying to
defraud the Wing Tai Pawnshop,
558 Shanghai Street, of \$18, by at-
tempting to pawn a false gold ring.

The absence of Mr. A. C. Burford,
Land Bailiff, P.W.D., who was to
have presided at the Kowloon
Magistracy to-day, caused Mr.
T. S. Whyte-Smith to discharge
with a caution one man and four
Hakka women who were charged
with removing—stones—without a
permit, on Crown Land at Ho Mun
Tin.

The China Mail has received
from Messrs Harry Wicking & Co.
six Chinese calendars issued by
Messrs. Wiggins, Teape & Alex.
Pirie (Export), Ltd., advertising
their paper and for whom they are
agents for Hong Kong and South
China. The calendars depict a
pretty Chinese modern maiden,
the colouring blending most har-
moniously.

To keep warm in this cold
weather, two coolies employed at
the Shamshuipo Police Station
built a coal fire in a kerosene tin
before retiring to bed, but they
paid no attention to the ventilation
of the room. They were not at
work yesterday morning, and In-
spector Hoare on investigation
found them unconscious in their
bunks, suffering from the effects of
gas poisoning. First aid was ap-
plied, and the two men were re-
moved to hospital still unconscious.

NEGLIGENT DRIVING IN KOWLOON

MAJOR CHARLES'S NARROW ESCAPE

Major G. F. Charles charged a
bus driver with negligent driving
at the Kowloon Magistracy yester-
day before Mr. T. S. Whyte-
Smith.

Complainant said in evidence
that he was going toward the Star
Ferry in a riksha at 8.20 p.m. on
December 27, and when nearing
Peking Road, the defendant's bus
shot out in front of his riksha.
Luckily the latter was proceeding
at a slow speed otherwise a nasty
accident might have happened.

Defendant was fined \$15.
Court Interpreter's Experience
Another bus driver was fined
\$10 for negligent driving on a
complaint laid against him by
Mr. D. S. Das, Indian Interpreter,
Kowloon Magistracy.

Mr. Das said that while he was
standing in Nathan Road opposite
Public Square Road, the defend-
ant's bus swerved and knocked
him down.

A lorry driver, who was charg-
ed with driving along Nathan
Road at 25 miles an hour, was
fined \$25.

CORRESPONDENCE

WANTED—A CABARET

[To the Editor of the "China Mail"]

Sir,—Feminist. I regret to
think, is much too easily shocked
to be a successful feminist. Bare
flesh makes her blush; filmy
draperies give her green visions
of jealousy. She would probably
call Gautier "daring," and think
James Joyce's books only fit for
reading in the bath. For shame!
A cabaret will never be known in
our Colony if people's ideas are so
out of date. Surely we have a
few modernists among the elite?
Why should the demure damsels of
Hong Kong who might be induced
to visit such an entertainment be
filled with agonies of jealousy?
Would they begrudge the naughty
cabaret dancer her hectic frills,
plump thighs, or "sex appeal"?
Surely no lady has need to feel
jealous of those unfortunate peo-
ple who trip their way lightly to
Sex appeal, in spite of Mr. Havlock
Ellis, cannot withstand the rigours
of our winter temperature or the
poor fare upon which most of these
professionals have to subsist.

We do need a cabaret, however,
and I warmly support your plan.
A cabaret here would keep the
Wolf from the door of our starving
intellects, for it would give us just
that little mental exhilaration need-
ed to arouse us from the stupor
bequeathed of too many hands of
Bridge. Whoever starts one, I'll
support him, and I am sure
"Feminist" would be one of the
first to enjoy it.

Yours, etc.,
"JOI DE VIVRE"
Hong Kong, January 14.

PROTECTING LOCAL CHILDREN

SOCIETY TO BE FORMED IN THE COLONY

GOVERNOR'S SCHEME

It is proposed to establish in the
Colony a Society on the lines of the
N.S.P.C.C. in Great Britain. The
suggestion originally put forward
by His Excellency the Governor has
been under consideration for some
time and much of the preparatory
work has been done. A draft con-
stitution has been drawn up by Dr.
S. W. Tso, O.B.E., and Mr. T. M.
Häzlerigg, M.C., in consultation
with the leading members of the
Chinese Community and it is felt
that the time has now come to in-
vite the support of the whole Com-
munity in order that the Society
may be enabled to begin its activi-
ties at the earliest opportunity.

Propaganda and Advice

The Hong Kong Society will en-
deavour to follow the policy of the
N.S.P.C.C. in relying upon propa-
ganda and advice rather than
upon prosecution in the courts.
The promoters fully realise that
the reputation of the Chinese people
in particular for kindness to and
affection for children stands very
high among the nations of the
world and that the evils which the
Society desires to combat are due
rather to ignorance, thoughtless-
ness or economic necessity rather
than to intentional cruelty.

Constructive Policy

They hope, therefore, that the
Society will be able to pursue a
constructive policy and that the
end to be pursued will be children's
welfare rather than the punishment
of wrong doers. In order that this
object may be satisfactorily attain-
ed it is essential that the Society
should have the largest possible
membership, and shall be able to
rely upon the co-operation and as-
sistance of all sections of the Com-
munity.

A meeting will be held in the
City Hall on Tuesday, January 21
at 5 p.m., to adopt a constitution
for a Society for the Protection of
children, and to elect Officers and
General and Executive Committees.

Ten Years Ago

[From the "China Mail,"
January 14, 1920.]

To-day's dollar is worth 5/- 1/4.

H. M. the King has been pleased
to approve of the following appoint-
ments to the "Order-of-the-Hospital
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ground, the whole mounted in silver,
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ribbon.

MEN, WOMEN, AND AFFAIRS

Flying at 63

SIR Hugh Clifford, late Governor
of the Straits Settlements,
who is 63 years old, is to take
up flying with a view to qualify-
ing as an owner-pilot.

After a strenuous life in the
Empire's service, he resigned re-
cently owing to the ill-health
of Lady Clifford.

Sir Hugh went up from Stag
Lane aerodrome, Hendon, Middle-
sex, in a De Havilland Gipsy Moth
piloted by Mr. E. Fulford, and
had a thrilling afternoon's flying.

He gave written instructions to
the pilot of the things he would
like to experience. Mr. Fulford
took the machine up to 7,500 ft.
—it was bitterly cold at that al-
titude—and carried out the in-
structions, executing loops, rolls,
right and left spins, and spirals.

"I have used aeroplanes to get
from place to place in my official
duties," Sir Hugh said, "and now
I am going to start to qualify for
a pilot's ticket so that I may fly
my own machine."

Owing to the state of Lady
Clifford's health it will be neces-
sary for her to spend much of her
time in the west of England. Sir
Hugh said that with a machine of
his own he will be able to leave
London on a summer's evening
and be in Devon in time for din-
ner.

Bishop Barnes

IN the five years that he has been
Bishop of Birmingham, Dr. Barnes,
whose latest deliverance, on the sub-
ject of population, is creating a gen-

eral stir, has attracted more public
attention than the rest of his
brotherhood put together.

When it was known that Mr.
Ramsay MacDonald had nominated
him to the see vacated by Dr.
Russell Wakefield there was an out-
cry from both the Anglo-Catholic
and Evangelical church people of the
diocese, and things have not grown
easier. On the other hand, in the
words of the Rev. F. C. Spurr, Free
Churchman in Birmingham have
given their hearts to Dr. Barnes.

The Bishop, whose first pastoral
work was as Master of the Temple,
a post to which he was appointed
at the age of 40, made his mark in
London as a preacher on scientific
topics, and he has the rare distinc-
tion among bishops of being a Fellow
of the Royal Society.

An Ambassador's "Fit"
IT is rare for an Ambassador to
leave a country without giving
due notice to the Government of
that country. But Mr. Bogomolov,
the Soviet Ambassador at Warsaw,
who has left without warning for
Moscow, is used to sudden departures.
He made one about six years
ago.

After living for a time in the
East-end of London, he took a small
house at Golders Green, and used to
go daily by a place of business in
a turning between Kingsway and
Lincoln's Inn Fields. One day neither
Golders Green nor his business saw
him any more. He went to Mar-
sell's, and during that period he was
in close communication with Bykoff.
Any Russian official who refuses
to return home when ordered to do
so is now liable to the death
penalty.

Transition

MR. Harcourt Johnstone, who was
chairman of the Liberal Candi-
dates' Association, a powerful body
formed with the object of bringing
about a Liberal revival, does not con-
template re-entering politics for the
present.

His pre-occupation, at the present
time, is the collection of modern
paintings. He has recently dispersed
the valuable collection of china
which he had gathered together dur-
ing the last few years.

Should Mr. Johnstone decide at
some future date to turn his atten-
tion once again to public affairs,
fancy it will be as a member of
some other party.

Stained Glass for Westminster Hall
THE windows of Westminster Hall
are still filled with plain glass,
and a movement is on foot to re-
place this with stained glass, which,
it is argued, the also, beauty and his-
toric associations of the building de-
mand.

But many experts consider that the
place had better remain as it is, for
its plainness makes it unique and
gives it a dignity all its own; be-
sides, its record is legal and not
ecclesiastical.
Expense is also a formidable ob-
stacle. A few years ago a sugges-
tion was made that one of the end
windows should be stained, and a
well-known artist in stained glass
gave as his estimate £3,000, which
was not considered by any means an
exorbitant one.

Prince and the Dreadnought

A parcel sent to the Dreadnought,
Seamen's Hospital, Greenwich, by
Queen Mary's London Needlework
Guild, was found to contain one of
the woollen scarves and the pair of
mittens knitted by H.E.H. the Prince
of Wales. The scarf and mittens
will be given to some seafarer who
is found to be in need of such com-
forts when he is discharged from the
ward of the Dreadnought. Who
knows how many miles the scarf will
travel, how many times it will be
soaked by sea water, beneath what
trouble it will be hung out to
dry. It often happens at the Dread-
nought that a sailor is brought to
the hospital so badly injured that his
clothes have to be cut to pieces in
order to dress the injury.

THE RAPID CHANGE IN AFRICA

GEN. SMUTS ON LIVINGSTONE: SENSELESS SLAUGHTER

WILD FAUNA

General Smuts, delivering a lecture on "Livingstone and After" to the Royal Scottish Geographical Society at Glasgow, recently, said:—

When in the near future the great monument arises near the Victoria Falls it will commemorate not only the supreme African explorer, but also the heroic liberator of Africa from its oldest scourge—the slave trade—the curse which has probably caused more bloodshed and suffering on that continent than any other in all its history.

It would be difficult to conceive higher double honours for any single man. To Livingstone there did not come the happy consciousness of success, but too often the sense of failure, of labouring against impossible odds. What was worse, he soon realized to his horror that he was unwittingly a potent means of facilitating the slave trade. For he discovered routes which the slave-drivers had not ventured to open up themselves, but which they were only too eager to follow up in the wake of Livingstone. It was a tragedy that the slave trade extended its terrible ravages on a large scale, both on the Zambesi and in the area of the Lakes, as a direct result of discoveries.

But in spite of appearances the end was near, and within a little more than a decade of Livingstone's death the slave trade had been practically exterminated by the Powers on the African continent. It is sad to think that its last refuge is with the only independent native State in Eastern Africa, and one can only hope that the League of Nations, of which that State is a member, will not tolerate this situation much longer.

The Old Order Has Gone

The result of the war so far as Africa was concerned was a repartition under the mandate system, which I had suggested as both a check and an advance on the old policy of colonial annexation. But to Africa the war meant something far more serious than a fresh partition. Africa has at last been roused from her historic slumbers. We are confronted with a new situation all over Africa, partly as a result of the experiences through which the natives passed in the Great War, and partly as the result of the rapidity with which almost revolutionary changes have supervened on the old order in Africa.

After speaking of the comparative ease of travel in Africa to-day and of mining in Southern Africa as another potent factor for change in progress, General Smuts proceeded:—Now in the heart of Southern Africa immense copper fields have been discovered and are being opened up in the Katanga and Northern Rhodesia. In the countries where the lonely Livingstone wandered, not far from the lake where he died, a vast network of mines is arising, the effect of which on the future of African development must be immense.

This will mean a large white mining population in the heart of Africa, and this again will bring about agricultural settlement on a large scale on the fertile highlands of Eastern Africa. A great labour force will have to be recruited from the Congo, Northern Rhodesia, Angola, and Nyassaland to do the rough mining work. What the Witwatersrand has meant farther south this copper field may come to mean for the development of South and Central Africa. It is therefore not difficult to appreciate that great changes are coming and that the old order in Southern Africa is definitely going.

The new situation will present difficult social and political problems of the contact between the old and the new which will tax the statesmanship of this and the coming generations to the full. If black and white in Africa, while faithful to themselves, can manage to evolve a plan according to which they can jointly develop the resources of this continent a great service will be rendered for the future of the human race.

I have stressed the mine development in Southern Africa; an even more important agricultural advance is being made farther north throughout Central Africa in lands which in Livingstone's day were mostly terra incognita, with a trade which was practically negligible apart from slavery.

It is probable that, in another generation, British Africa may with wise handling, and proper stimulus, become as important a factor for British trade as India itself. There will be immense tropical production, and there will be a corresponding market for manufactures. Both from a humanitarian and a commercial point of view Africa deserves the close attention and steady encouragement of the Government.

A tribute to Livingstone is that it is difficult to imagine what Africa would have been without him.

the civilising effects of the Christian missions. Mistakes have been made, but the magnitude of the real service is out of all comparison to those incidental mistakes. Missionary enterprise, with its universal Christian message and its vast educational and civilising effort, is and remains the greatest and most powerful influence for good in Africa. The missionary, the trader, the traveller, the railway builder, the labour recruiter, and the soldier have wrought vast changes in Africa since Livingstone's day. He was the first, the greatest, and the most beneficent of the new forces for change and progress.

Africa is to-day on the move in all directions, and its ancient quietude is profoundly disturbed. Yet one hopes that whatever developments may be in store for it, it will preserve some of the old characteristics which have constituted its perennial charm in the past. And beyond the human inhabitants there will remain, one hopes for centuries to come, the wild animals which make this continent so attractive to the lover of nature. I look forward to the time when the rage for destruction will have disappeared, when the senseless slaughter of the wild fauna will be as criminal and contrary to public opinion as cruelty to humans, and when those who love the wilds and their shy denizens and intimate ways will come from all parts of the earth to find peace and refreshment in the wilds of Africa.

In the stress and strain of civilization the nervous tension of high culture, and the nervous friction of our industrial system, Africa will be a place of refuge, a temple set apart where the human spirit can once more practise nature worship and enjoy peace and quietude. Africa, in spite of all changes, will still remain Africa, and its most distinctive features among the continents will continue to be its untamed wildness, its aloofness and solitude, and its mysterious, eerie, brooding spirit.

POLICE RESERVE

Orders For The Current Week

Orders by the Hon. Mr. E. D. C. Wolfe, C.M.G., Inspector-General of Police, state:—

Chinese Company
Chinese New Year Holidays.—All parades and instructional classes for members of the Chinese Company are suspended from 13th inst., until after the Chinese New Year Holidays.

Indian Company
Parade.—All ranks of the Indian Company are reminded of the parade to be held at Police Headquarters under P/Sergeant R. J. Hunt to-day at 5.30 p.m. sharp.

Flying Squad
The weekly instructional patrol of the Kowloon Section will take place to-day. Fall in at the Tsim-tsa-tui Fire Brigade Station at 5.15 p.m. sharp. Dress—Winter uniform and cap with white cover.

The weekly instructional patrol of the Hong Kong Section will take place on Friday. Fall in at the Central Police Station at 5.15 p.m. sharp. Dress—Winter uniform and cap with white cover.

Sharpshooters' Company
Addresses and Telephone Numbers.—All members are reminded that any change in their business or private address or telephone number should be reported at once to the O. I. Company. (Sgd.) W. Kent, A.S.P., Adjutant.

FROM THE JUNGLE

Short-wave wireless messages transmitted by Mr. Hinds for Major C. Court-Treant, the British explorer, from a portable Marconi equipment in the wilds of Sudan, have been received as far as the United States of America.

Pitching their camps in the least known parts of the Western Sudan, Major and Mrs. Court-Treant and Mr. Hinds were able to maintain communication with Sudan Government wireless stations throughout their twelve months' travels in the jungle, where they were making the British Instructional Film "Stampede."

Thus they were in regular touch with London through the Government stations and on a number of occasions their transmissions, on a wave-length of approximately 30 metres, were heard at a distance of more than 5,000 miles in Detroit, Michigan, and Boston, Massachusetts.

The wireless transmitter used was a specially designed Marconi set of extremely small power and weight, the power being supplied by turning the handle of a small electrical generator.

GUNBOAT ARRIVES

Canton, Yesterday.—A report received by the Naval H.Q. states that the gunboat *Book* arrived at Hainan on January 11. Three other gunboats, *On*, *Yai*, *Shun*, and *Ka*, were also expected to arrive. *On* and *Yai* have already reached their destination. *On* is the earliest. Canton News Agency.

"PLEASURE CRAZED" AT QUEEN'S

VOICE PRODUCTION MINUTELY CLEAR

CLASSIC DANCERS

Marguerite Churchill deserves very high praise for her leading part in "Pleasure Crazed," the Fox talkie which was shown for the first time at the Queen's Theatre yesterday and will be repeated to-day and to-morrow.

Both technically and artistically, it is a fine production. By comparison some of the earlier dialogue films which met with approval now appear, in recollection, to be crude. Hardly any fault can be found with "Pleasure Crazed."

Half a dozen or so in the cast—names not previously made in the realm of the cinema—also give polished portrayals of not too easy parts. The plot is treated in an unusual manner, the photography is good and the voice reproduction is minutely clear.

Also in the programme are Bakhmann and Olga Vorobiova. Their acrobatic poses (in the flesh) were deservedly applauded as an act out of the ordinary—at least in the part of the world—and Bakhmann's physical exhibition, in which he brought remarkably developed muscles into play, lent useful contrast.

But there are four other items in the programme. The overture is up to the high standard maintained by the Queen's; the news reel covers a diversity of subjects from "Tommy Atkins" in training to monks in Mongolia; The Capitoliens furnish expert band music; and a darkie singer appears in a high-class song number.

"CABARET NIGHTS"

"Cabaret Nights," a beautiful German production, began its three-day run at the Majestic Theatre, Kowloon, yesterday.

The entire film is enacted by an all-German cast, typically selected. The story unfolds the foolishness of a well-cultured girl in joining a cheap way-side cabaret, and how she repented it, when her father appeared in the room where the flimsily clad dancer was making the best of it.

The scenes throughout are pretty and the acting is of a high standard. John Liedtke, Betty Bird and La Jane are in the featured roles.

FRENCH PIANIST

Coming To Orient This Year

Mr. E. Robert Schmitz, the renowned French pianist, who will tour the Orient this year, was born in Paris in 1889. His study of violin and piano began at the age of ten. At fourteen, he was playing both instruments in public concerts. At eighteen he entered the Conservatoire in both classes but was forced to give up the violin a little later. On his graduation in 1910, he won the first prize and thereupon toured Europe as a concert pianist for a few years.

His friendship and collaboration with men of calibre of Debussy, Saint-Saens, d'Indy, Dukas, Ravel, Milhaud and many others throughout Europe bespeak his thorough appreciation of that which is valuable in the works of the moderns. His versatility was emphasised by his appearance as conductor, soloist and lecturer on the same programme.

JUBILEE SINGERS

American Group to Visit the Orient

The most outstanding group of coloured singers of the present day is the verdict of the public and music critics who have heard the Utica Jubilee Singers in their programme of Negro spirituals, old plantation melodies and folk songs.

In July, 1927, they sailed to Europe. Beginning with London they gave 25 concerts, including Berlin, Paris, Vienna, Copenhagen, Budapest, Breslau, and Vichy. They gave seven concerts in London and returned for two return engagements in Paris and Berlin. They were broadcast from London, Berlin, Frankfurt and Paris. So well were they received that they are to return for another series of engagements—afterward going to fulfil the engagements in Egypt and the Orient, including Hong Kong.

DEARER PETROL

Increase on Exports to Ceylon

Colombo, Yesterday.—The duty on petrol exported to Ceylon has increased to nine pence per gallon. Reuter.

SHADOWS BEFORE

COMING EVENTS ANNOUNCED IN CHINA MAIL

Social Functions

To-day—Tea Dances at Hong Kong Hotel and Peninsula Hotel, 4.30 p.m.

To-day—Dinner Dances at Hong Kong Hotel and Peninsula Hotel, 8.30 p.m.

To-day—Dinner Dance at Republic Bay Hotel, 8.30 p.m.

January 17—Hong Kong Automobile Assn. dinner-dance, Peninsula Hotel.

January 17—Taikoo Club Annual Ball, 9 p.m.

January 18—Old Tonbridgian Dinner, Hong Kong Hotel, 8 p.m.

January 18—Honourable Company of Master Mariners' Dinner of s.s. Haiching, Hong Kong Hotel, to Capt. O. H. Farrar and officers 8 p.m.

Entertainments

To-day—Queen's Theatre, "Pleasure Crazed."

To-day—Star Theatre, "Veiled Woman."

To-day—World Theatre, "Don Q."

To-day—Majestic Theatre, "Cabaret Nights."

January 16—Star Theatre, "La Boheme" (Italian Opera), 9.15 p.m.

January 17—Star Theatre, "Rigoletto" (Italian Opera), 9.15 p.m.

Home Mail

To-morrow—Outward for America and ports, Europe via Vancouver and Europe via Siberia (Empress of Canada), 10 a.m.

Sport

To-morrow—Fanning Hunt and Race Club Hounds Meet, Sheung Shui Cross Roads, 3.45 p.m.

To-morrow—Entries close for Open Chess Championship.

January 18—Entries close for Hong Kong C.C. Tennis Tournaments.

Meetings

To-day—Council meeting of Football Assn., French Bank Bldg., 5.30 p.m.

To-morrow—Sandakan Light and Power Co. (1922) Ltd. (extraordinary meeting), St. George's Building, 12.30 p.m.

To-morrow—Rifle League Meeting Volunteer Headquarters, 5.30 p.m.

January 21—Meeting for Society for the Protection of Children, etc., City Hall, 5 p.m.

February 11—Forty-second General meeting of Shareholders of Hong Kong Land Investment & Agency Co., Ltd., at Messrs. Jardine's 12.30 p.m.

Miscellaneous

January 16—Stephen's Girls' School Speech Day, 3 p.m.

January 18—Entries close for Hong Kong Jockey Club annual race meeting, 3 p.m.

January 21—Public lecture at Helena May Institute on "Gothic Art" by Father Finn.

SHANGHAI COURT

Foreign Proposals Brought Up

Nanking, Yesterday.—Four meetings of the Shanghai Court Re-organisation Conference have been held this week, on Tuesday, Thursday, Friday and Saturday. At the Friday meeting, the Chinese delegation brought up a counter-proposal and explained the points therein. At the Saturday meeting, the Chinese and foreign proposals were carefully compared and examined. The conference will meet again on the afternoon of January 16.

The release of Chinese nationals detained in Russia during late Sino-Russian dispute was ordered by the Soviet Authorities on January 1. The Foreign Ministry is making arrangements with the German Government to have German Diplomatic Consular Agents in Russia to look after Chinese nationals' interest, prior to the return of Chinese officials to Russia.—Canton News Agency.

RAILWAY EMPLOYEES' BONUS

Canton, Yesterday.—Following an order from the Ministry of Communications, recognising the past merits of the personnel of the Yue Han Railway, the railway employees were given a bonus of one month's salary.—Canton News Agency.

SILK SHIPMENT

Silk shawls from here by Empress of Asia on December 18, arrived in New York (St. John's Park) on January 8, having been 21 days in transit.

Lieut. Colonel A. J. Ellis, D.S.O., 2nd Border Regiment, lately stationed in Tientsin, has been placed on the half-pay list, having completed his service in command of the Battalion, with effect from December 10, 1929.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

HONG KONG JOCKEY CLUB.

OWNERS are reminded that ENTRIES for the Annual Race Meeting must be in the hands of the Secretary on or before SATURDAY, 18th January, 1930, at 3 p.m.

By Order,
C. B. BROWN,
Secretary.
Hong Kong, 14th January, 1930.

HONG KONG SOCIETY FOR THE PROTECTION OF CHILDREN.

HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR, Sir Cecil Clementi, K.C.M.G., will preside at the CONSTITUENT MEETING to be held in the City Hall, on TUESDAY, JANUARY 21, 5 p.m.

Ladies and gentlemen who are interested are invited to attend. The Business of the Meeting will be to adopt a constitution for a Society for the Protection of Children and to elect officers and General and Executive Committees.

HONG KONG LAND INVESTMENT AND AGENCY COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the FORTY-SECOND ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS in this Company will be held at the Offices of Messrs. Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd., on TUESDAY, 11th February, 1930, at 12.30 p.m. for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors together with Statement of Accounts for the year ending 31st December, 1929.

The REGISTER of SHARES of the Company will be CLOSED from Tuesday, 21st January to Tuesday, 11th February, both days inclusive, during which period no transfer of shares can be registered.

By Order of the Board of Directors,
L. S. GREENHILL,
Secretary.

Hong Kong, 14th January, 1930.

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UNIVERSITY CONGREGATION

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also as Governor of Hong Kong; and, in my opinion, Sir Henry Gollan has to-day placed before this Congregation convincing reasons why the Government subsidy should be increased, as recommended in a recent resolution of the Court of the University, to an annual grant of \$250,000. I would add to what Sir Henry has said that I firmly believe the fortunes of the Colony now to be inseparably bound up with the success of the University. If this University for lack of funds should be crippled or killed, the loss of prestige to the Colony would be immense and a very severe blow would be dealt to British interests, not only in Hong Kong, but in China as well. On the other hand, if this University prospers, it will, I am confident, be an instrument of the utmost value in the development of the Colony and in promoting friendly co-operation between Hong Kong and China. For this reason I am certain that the Government of Hong Kong will always, within the measure of its own financial capacity, assist the University of Hong Kong.

Not Merely Colonial
But this University is not merely a colonial concern. It is a most valuable asset of the British Empire in the Far East. The Honourable Dr. Lim Boon-keng, when he received the honorary degree of Doctor of Laws from this University at its third Congregation, held on January 15, 1910, called the University of Hong Kong "a great British High School built upon the most prominent rock upon the Chinese coast in the darkest age of Asia." At the present, he said, "China is the stage of political typhoon rages through the troubled waters of Chinese life, and darkness reigns supreme. The British Empire has, therefore, with characteristic generosity, built a great light-house in Hong Kong." "Surely," he continued, "it is not asking too much to demand that the British Empire, and the British colonies, especially, should see that that British light-house should be properly and efficiently lighted." "We are building up a structure not only in material things, for over and above the things that are visible there are elements of great permanence which light up the whole of mankind. Therefore, if we regard our University as a British institution, intended as the means of providing the gift of British culture to the Chinese people, we may be sure that the British Empire—particularly the British colonies—will respond to any reasonable appeal by the Government of Hong Kong." These words, coming as they did from the President of the Amoy University, a scholar with great knowledge of public affairs both in Malaya and in China, are very striking and they might have been spoken today. It is, fortunately, now within the power of His Majesty's Government to come to the assistance of the British University of Hong Kong. Hitherto the British Government has done very little for this University, in spite of the example set by the Government of China which, before the Manchurian empire fell, made a grant to our endowment fund. The Chinese communities of Canton, Wuchow, Wuchang, Amoy, Saigon, Penang and Australia also sent contributions; while the Viceroy of the Liang Kuang provinces, at the time when the University was founded, collected the sum of \$200,000 and sent it to us. In doing so, he wrote, "Of late our students residing abroad have caused us the greatest anxiety. On the other hand, Hong Kong is so close to us that our young men, who go there to study, will be almost in sight and hearing of their superiors." The value of the Hong Kong University has thus been recognised both by Chinese officials, merchants and scholars, and by the Chinese Government as well. Is it then, too much to ask that the British Government, having in its hands a fund for the promotion of British-Chinese interests, should the Boxer Indemnity fund, should from the sum of more than seven million pounds sterling that it has disposed make such a grant to this University as will relieve its financial embarrassment, and permit of its further expansion?

Idea at the Beginning
The University of Hong Kong started with the idea that China's greatest need was scientific and technical training. The University was to become a force in the Far East by producing qualified engineers and skilled doctors. The training of engineers and doctors is still necessary, but it is now realised that this University must do far more than impart technical and professional competence. There must be in its teachers who are capable of interpreting the West to China and China to the West. The Chinese have a traditional respect for learning, and the presence in this University of British teachers training young men to think out honestly the social, political, and economic problems of China is a great asset of inestimable value. Our work here should always be directed towards the special and peculiar needs of China. We must in the Arts Faculty teach towards China; the study of political science, jurisprudence and philosophy, and we must go further and develop a new Chinese department in the Arts Faculty. The significance of the application of the wisdom of China to western knowledge to the civilisation of the world today, the development of a new philosophy, the hope of a new world order, the vision of a new world, which is a blend of the best of the East and the best of the West, is a task of the utmost importance. One of the shipments on the Canadian National Steamship, the Canadian Consulate, found a box of Hall's N.E. to Australia, New Zealand, was a box and three Yorkshire sows from a breeding farm in Ontario. Canada has reserved one of the largest places in the British Empire Trade Exhibition to be held at the 1930-31 Session of the Empire Exhibition, and will exhibit a large number of exhibits.

LONDON'S TASTE IN CHEESE

WHITE CHEDDAR FAVOURITE: CARTONS RESPONSIBLE

THE NEW MARKETS

The Empire Marketing Board has completed an investigation into the demand for cheese in London.

The United Kingdom, the report states, is the largest importer of cheese in the world. In London 500 shops, including small grocers, multiple shops and departmental stores, were visited.

"The staple cheese of the great mass of the population," states the report, "is Cheddar of the New Zealand, Canadian, and English types," while the favourite colour is white. Coloured Cheddar, however, appears to be preferred in Deptford, Woolwich, Poplar, and Willersden, the preference in the last-named place being attributed to the presence among the railway workers of many Irish and North Country families. With a white colour, in the popular favour goes a mild flavour, although a preference for a strong cheese seems to be on the increase.

Cheddar cheese was found to be stocked mainly in shops in residential areas, or in those doing a good class trade, the demand for it being small and select, although slightly on the increase. The same observations applied to Stilton, with the difference that sales, for the most part, are confined to Christmas-time. "Everywhere," it is added, "except in a few central shops, the trade in Stilton was said to be diminishing." The only other British named cheese mentioned in detail in the report is Wensleydale. "This cheese," it is stated, "appeared to be little known in London generally."

Popularity of Packets
If some British cheeses, however, have fallen out of fashion the same can be said of the Dutch cheeses—Gouda and Edam. The consumption of Gouda, it seems, is largest in neighbourhoods with a predominating Jewish population. Of Gorgonzola, which is labelled as a "fancy" cheese, there is once more a wide distribution, although the highest demand would appear to be in the central area of Westminster.

Cheeses such as Camembert, Gruyere, Roquefort and Parmesan were to be found chiefly in the central area. Other cheeses not widely sold include Port de Salut and Brie—the Italian cream cheeses—and Old Dutch and Spiced Dutch. Among those only occasionally found were Gloucester, Leicester, and Camberly.

Processed cheese in cartons was found practically everywhere, and it is stated that this trade has developed very largely in the past year.

It appears that the increase in the sales of packaged cheese has not been entirely at the expense of the bulk cheese, and it was suggested by some retailers that packaged cheese had created in many people a liking for cheese which they had not possessed previously.

EXCHANGES

TO-DAY'S QUOTATIONS

On London—
Bank wire 1/6 3/4
Bank of demand 1/6 15/16
Bank, 30 days sight 1/6 15/16
Bank, 60 days sight 1/7 1/2
Bank, 90 days sight 1/7 1/2
Documentary 4 months' sight 1/7 1/2
Documentary 6 months' sight 1/7 1/2
Documentary 9 months' sight 1/7 1/2
Documentary 12 months' sight 1/7 1/2
On Paris—
On demand 97 7/8
Credit, 3 months' sight 105 1/2
Credit, 6 months' sight 105 1/2
On Berlin—
On demand 38 1/2
On 60 days sight 38 1/2
On 90 days sight 38 1/2
On 120 days sight 38 1/2
On Bombay—
On demand 105 1/2
On 60 days sight 105 1/2
On 90 days sight 105 1/2
On 120 days sight 105 1/2
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Sport Columns

HOME FOOTBALL

Fourth Round of English Cup

POMPEY'S LUCK IN

London, Yesterday.
The following is the draw for the fourth round of the English Cup, to be played off on January 25:

Walsall v. Aston Villa.
Notts Forest v. Fulham or Bourne-
mouth & B.A.
Newcastle United or York City v.
Clapton Orient.
Arsenal v. Birmingham.
Swindon Town v. Tottenham Hot-
spurs or Manchester City.
Blackburn Rovers v. Everton.
Bury or Huddersfield Town v.
Sheffield United.
Corinthians or Millwall v. Doncas-
ter Rovers or Stoke City.
Portsmouth v. Brighton & Hove or
Grimsby Town.
Hull City v. Blackpool.
Wrexham v. Bradford City.
Derby County v. Bradford.
Sunderland v. Cardiff City.
Oldham Athletic v. Sheffield Wed-
nesday.
Chesterfield or Middlesbrough v. Charl-
ton Athletic or Queen's Park
Rangers.
West Ham United v. Leeds United.

LOCAL LEAGUE

The Navy and The K.O.S.B.

Draw

Playing in the Division I. of the League, the Royal Navy drew with the K.O.S.B. yesterday at Sookumpoo. The game throughout was fast and exciting, with the Navy getting the upper hand from the start. The Borderers' defence was weak with the result that the sailors had two goals to their credit after 15 minutes' play.

Playing against a tough opposition, the Borderers managed to lower the score and just before the interval they got on level terms.

Both teams were out to win in the second half and a most exciting tussle was seen. The final whistle sounded with the score standing at four goals all. The teams were:

K.O.S.B.:—Shears, Martin and Reeves; Druy, Davey and Skiggs; Torrie, McGilchey, Everest, Stock and Alexander.

Navy:—Turner, McGregor and Jones; Stephenson, Tilley and Bell; Van Tromp, Firth, Cann, Cartwright and Dickinson.

Referee: Mr. F. Smith.

League Table

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
K.O.S.B.	15	8	5	2	23	13	21
Navy	13	8	3	2	30	18	19
Chinese	12	8	2	2	20	9	18
Somersets	11	8	1	2	23	7	17
Kowloon	11	5	3	3	23	14	13
South China	10	5	1	4	19	10	11
R.A.	13	5	1	7	19	11	11
Club	11	2	2	7	11	23	6
St. Joseph's	12	3	0	9	12	38	6
Recreo	11	2	1	8	10	27	5
Police	11	1	1	9	11	31	3

SHAMEEN FOOTBALL

Cicla beat Shameen by the Odd Goal

[From Our Own Correspondent.]

Canton, Sunday.
In a good hard game yesterday afternoon the Cicla beat Shameen in the League, by 3 goals to 2. Shameen, who did not have their strongest team out, nevertheless gave the Cicla a good run for their win, having the better of the game by far until a heavy fall of rain came down, which gave the lighter team the advantage as they were better able to keep their feet on the slippery ground.

With a lead of 1-0 it looked as if Shameen were going to put on more. The Navy, however, were awarded a penalty from a sand-
wiching of one of their men, an unfortunate decision—and they equalised. Shameen after this had numerous chances to score and came very near to doing so. Then rain came down and the Navy

began pressing, as the heavy de-
fence line of Shameen were uncer-
tain on their feet.

After half-time the Navy took the lead with a pretty shot by Lt.-Surg. Bolton. Shameen soon after brought the scores level again with a shot by Osmund. All this time the rain was steadily making the ground sloppy, and Lay, who had been playing an excellent game in goal up to this time, let slip a spent rolling shot, lost his balance, and before he had time to recover the Cicla scored with an open goal.

The Seamsy is in the lead in the League, with the Tarantula a close second—a point behind.

YACHTING

Sixth Ladies' Championship Race

The sixth Ladies' Championship race of the R.I.K. Yacht Club was sailed yesterday, the course being:—Channel Rocks (P), Cust Rock Mark Boat (S), Kowloon Rocks (S), a distance of 6.6 miles. The results were as follows:

"H" Class

(Started 3 p.m.)

Yacht	Sailed by	Pos.	Points to date
La Linda, Mrs. J. Sheldon		4	20
Colleen, Miss M. Larsen		2	24
Diana, Miss E. J. de Biere		3	18
Dorothy, Miss B. Lewis		1	26

"I," "Y" and "G" Classes

(Started 3.05 p.m.)

Yacht	Sailed by	Pos.	Points to date
Daphne, Mrs. K. G. Robinson		1	29
Haley, Mrs. D. C. Lambert		3	20
Wings, Miss M. de Linde		4	95
Blunose, Miss M. Hancock		5	24
Boojum, Miss J. E. Mathias		2	43
Speedwell, Mrs. J. A. Adams		6	36

HOCKEY

The following have been selected to represent the 'Varsity' first eleven against the Club de Recreio on Wednesday at 5 p.m. at King's Park:—G. E. Yeoh (Cap-
tain), Dr. G. A. C. Herklotz, K. T. Loke, D. Roy, V. V. Enok, P. L. Tan, A. A. Aziz, C. M. Lee, O. De Sousa, Nolasco and H. E. M. Adams.

The 'Varsity' second eleven against the K.O.S.B. at Sookumpoo at 5 p.m. on Tuesday is as follows: A. A. Aziz (Captain), S. C. Ho, N. Chamarette, W. James, Nolasco, T. W. Goh, Ng Kam-soi, J. Gutierrez, Kho Nai-po, N. Noronha and A. Gosano.

Reserves: Kho Han-po and Basto.



While Hong Kong football supporters gather on Saturday afternoon around the fields dotted with struggling football warriors, Japan has taken to soccer with no less enthusiasm. The picture shows an exciting moment in the game played at Tokyo between Hosen Law College and the Shizuoka Gymnasium.

GOLF

Combined Service to Play Club

SUNDAY'S SCHEDULE

On Sunday next, the Combined Services are to play the Royal Hong Kong Golf Club. The former will be represented by:

Sqdn.-Ldr. C. Bumphrey, R.A.F., and Lieut. A. H. Alexander, R.N.; P/O. C. E. St. J. Beamish, R.A.F., and Lieut. H. D. G. MacDonald, R.E.; Lieut. J. H. Anderson, R.A.M.C., and Lieut. A. H. Munn, R.A.; Lieut. D. G. F. W. MacIntyre, R.N., and Sub-Lieut. P. C. O. Mosley, R.N. Reserve: Major L. H. Asto, R.A.O.C. Starting times and opponents will be notified in the *China Mail*. After the morning singles, pairs will book times for the afternoon fourball. Tiffins need not be ordered.

Kowloon Semi-Finals

The semi-finals of the Junior Championship of the Kowloon Golf Club were played on Sunday, H. Mundy beating A. A. Dand at the 19th and W. Borrowman beating W. Orchard 5 and 3.

The final between Borrowman and Mundy, will be played on January 26 over 36 holes.

HAGEN RETIRES

Golf Played in Height of Storm

Los Angeles, Yesterday.
Rain fell heavily to-day during the 52,000 golf tournament. Hagen, playing in the height of the storm picked up the ball at the eighth tee and retired. Denny's Chute, a professional of Columbus, led the end of the second round 1-4-7.—Reuter's American Service.

POLO TOURNAMENT

Civilians Defeat the K.O.S.B.

The Hong Kong Polo Club's American Tournament reached a further stage yesterday when the Civilians met and defeated the K.O.S.B. by 2 goals to one.

The game throughout was fast and exciting. The Civilians' teamwork was superb and their hitting was most accurate. They fully deserved their victory.

DISCOVERIES IN THE IMPERIAL FORA

FLOWERS IN TRAJAN'S MARKET

EXCAVATING ROME

By word and deed Mussolini has shown his determination to revive in the hearts of all Italians his own passionate love of ancient Rome, and bring her traditions and aspirations into their everyday life. On the first anniversary of the March on Rome (October 1923) he laid a laurel wreath on the altar of the Forum Magnum, where the body of Caesar had been cremated; and the work of excavating the Imperial Fora (including that of Caesar's Forum) was inaugurated by the King and Mussolini on April 21, 1926, the birthday of Rome, chosen as the Fascist Labour festival.

Under the old regime, over twenty years ago, Senator Carraro Ricci, then Director General of Fine Arts, conceived the idea of restoring and isolating the Imperial Fora; but, money being scarce, he was destined to wait for the dynamic Fascist Government before dreams could become realities. He had concentrated his studies always on the Forum of Trajan, the last and most beautiful of the Imperial Fora. Imagine, an immense square with an equestrian statue of the Emperor Trajan, approached by means of a triumphal arch and flanked by two colossal curved wings and with two smaller exedrae at the extremity of the adjoining Basilica Ulpia. The Basilica opened out into the square of the column of Trajan with its spiral band of reliefs containing 2,500 human figures; from thence the worshipper mounted the steps to the Temple of Mars. A writer in the fourth century described this Forum as a work "which even the gods cannot help admiring;" two centuries later Pope Gregory the Great prayed that the soul of the man who had built so wonderful a monument might not be doomed to perdition, and in a vision he was told of Trajan's salvation.

The Dream of Apollodoros
To make this Forum the architect, Apollodoros of Damascus, had cut through the ridge between the Quirinal and Capitoline hills to the height of Trajan's column. In order to sustain the shelving slope of the hill, which had been cut away, he laid out a great hemicycle on the east side, separated from the actual Forum by a paved road, and made use of them as shops. The hemicycles disappeared beneath medieval and modern erections of all kinds, and some authorities even doubted their existence. Portions of the one on the N.E. side could be seen by looking into back gardens of wine-shops, barracks and private houses, but, as in the days of Piranesi, these remains were still spoken of as the Baths of Paulus Emilius.

Corrado Ricci, determined to find the building of Apollodoros, started work on this site. In two years some 18,000 square metres of earth were removed, and last autumn the greater part of Trajan's market was uncovered, showing rows of shops or *tabernae*. The whole structure is of brickwork, while the lintels and threshold of the shops are of travertine. On the lower storey are eleven shops; a flight of steps at each end of the hemicycle leads to the second level with twenty-two shops; and above is a third tier which adjoins the Via Eilbertica lined with wine-shops.

Sculpture Unearthed
By demolishing the barracks of Santa Caterina in this street, a large vaulted hall has been discovered recently which was probably a meeting place for commerce. Another building has been found at the top of the market; it has a separate entrance, a tribune with an apse at one end, a courtyard and two other rooms entered under an archway. The rooms are full of niches which were probably used both for books and statues. It may have been some tribunal, but nothing precise is known at present.

The subsoil of Rome is rich beyond the dreams of avarice, and much will come to light from the Forum of Trajan. Only re-

cently Senator Ricci noticed that the threshold of one of the shops in this market was of marble instead of travertine. Carefully freeing it from earth, he found a marble slab six feet long by two feet with four inches framed in carved olive-wreaths, each one containing a life-size head. Two represent an elderly man and woman; the others are of a young man and girl. The sculpture, forming part of this mausoleum, is realistic and powerful, and Italians are pleased at this discovery, which they think is an efficacious answer to certain foreign authorities who deny an original Roman school of portraiture uninfluenced by Greece.

Another fragment brought to light is a slab forming part of a Christian tomb of the fourth century. In the centre is a niche shaped like a shell, framing the head of a man. At the side is a relief representing Moses striking water from the rock.

A Forum of Fascism
Thus a marvellous work has been planned and is being carried out under one's very eyes. By clearing away a rabbit-warren of houses, and even palaces, suppressing trams, and making new roads for congested traffic, Mussolini will be restoring the ambitions of the Caesars, who each one in turn tried to connect the public buildings in a continuous chain. Trajan sought to link the Imperial Fora with that quarter of Rome containing the Flaminian Circus, the Theatres of Balbus, Pompey and Marcellus, and other temples and porticos. Mussolini is also adding to the Fora with one dedicated to Fascism, to be adorned with a giant monolith of white marble and numerous symbolic statues.

But, perhaps, the plan just announced of using the great market of Trajan as a flower market will delight and charm many people quite as much as the more ambitious schemes for beautifying Rome.

HOTEL GUESTS

At the Hong Kong Hotel

January 13, 1930.
Messrs. B. M. Armstrong, E. A. Anderson, Mr. and Mrs. R. Adams and Son.

Messrs. S. M. Brown, Arthur Brunner, J. A. Black.

Messrs. F. Coates, M. W. Carey, W. Cochrane, Mrs. Chan.

Mr. G. S. Dale.

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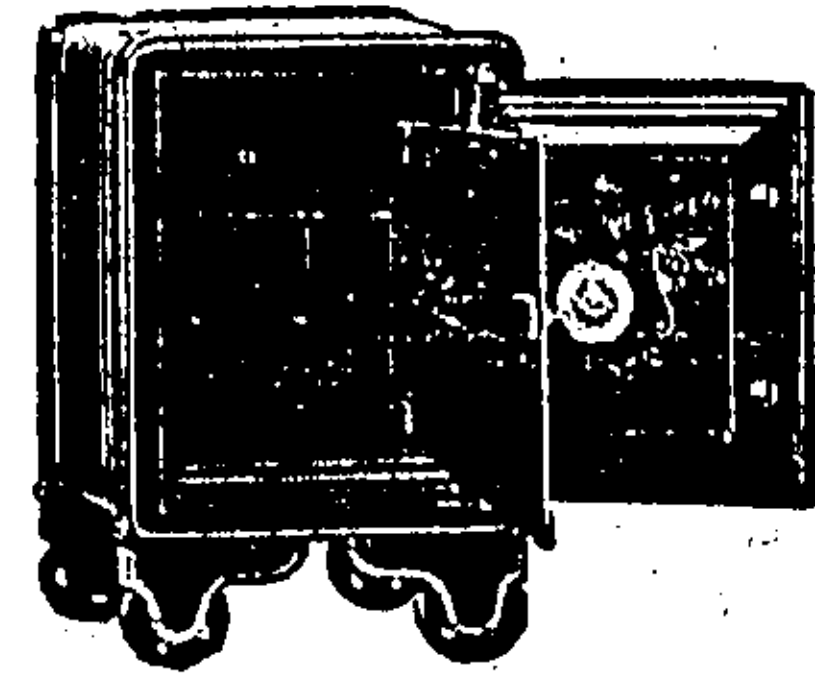
STANDARD TIMES

Sunrise and Sunset in Hong Kong for December (Standard Time of the 120th Meridian, East of Greenwich), are as follows:—

January	Sunrise	Sunset
14	7.06	5.59
15	7.06	6.00
16	7.06	6.01
17	7.06	6.01
18	7.06	6.02
19	7.06	6.03
20	7.06	6.03
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23	7.06	6.05
24	7.06	6.06
25	7.06	6.07
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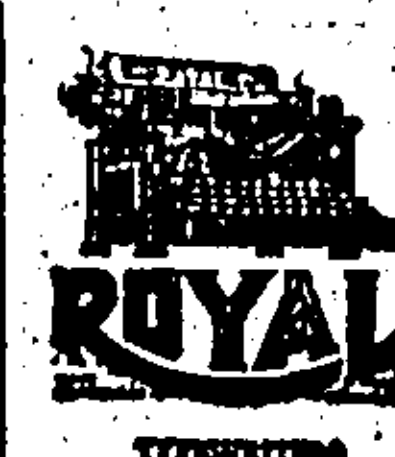
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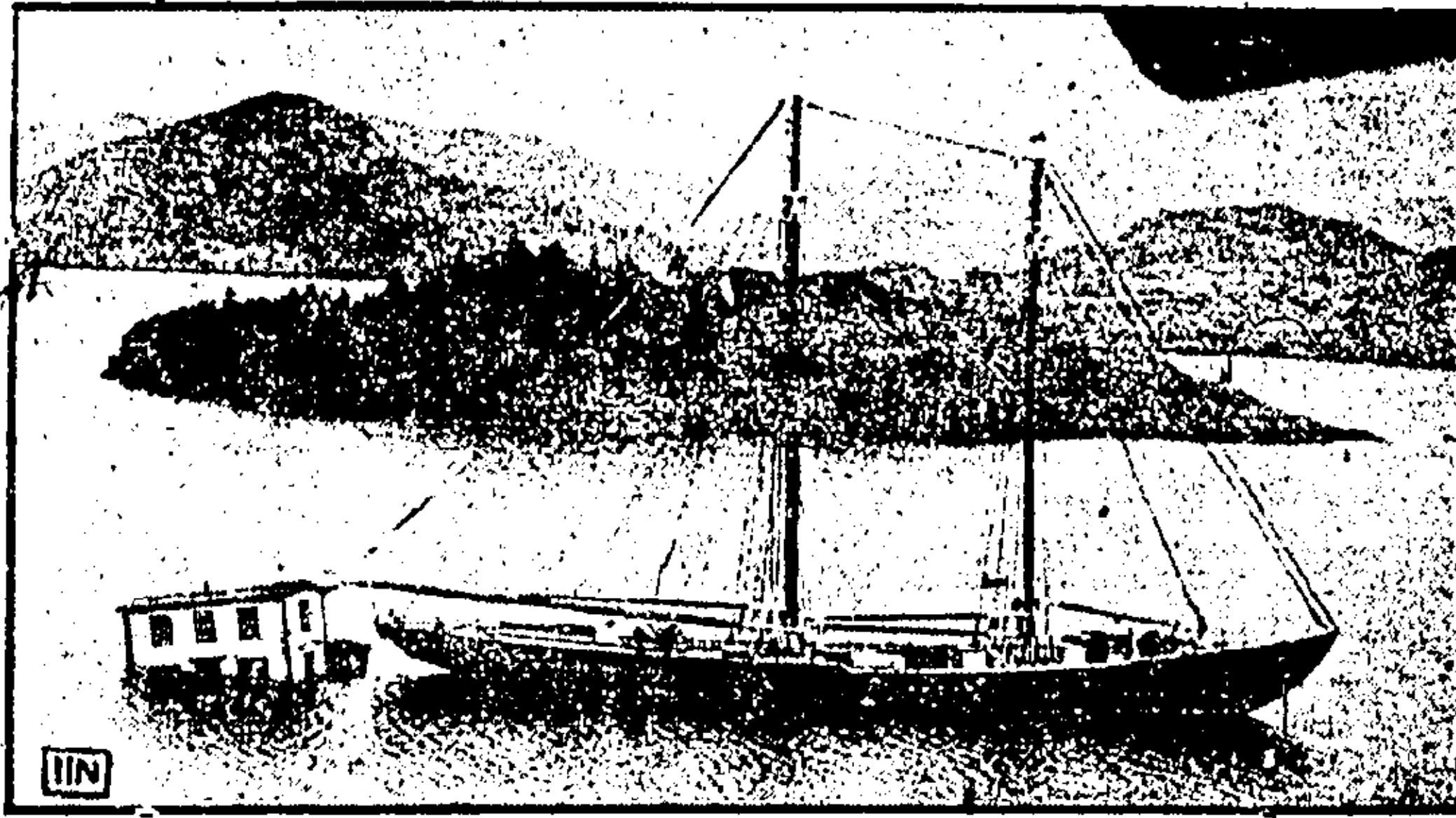
World News In Pictures

Count Sues Artist



Count Leon Bayard De Volin, said to be the son of a lady in waiting to the Queen of Italy, in a suit against Laura Langhauer, artist, in a Los Angeles court, alleges that the Italian-born artist became secretly engaged to him a year ago, accepted expensive gifts, and then suddenly threw him over. He is suing Miss Langhauer for breach of promise.

Towing House Five Miles



This first and exclusive photo from the Newfoundland area stricken by the recent disastrous earthquake tidal wave shows one of the dislodged houses being towed in from the sea by a returning fishing schooner. The house, along with many others, had been swept a distance of five miles by the gigantic inundation resulting from the quake, which shook a large section of the Northern Atlantic seaboard and summed a third of the cables between America and Europe. More than a score of lives were lost and the enormous damage done to property has not yet been fully estimated.

Result of Earthquake Tidal Wave



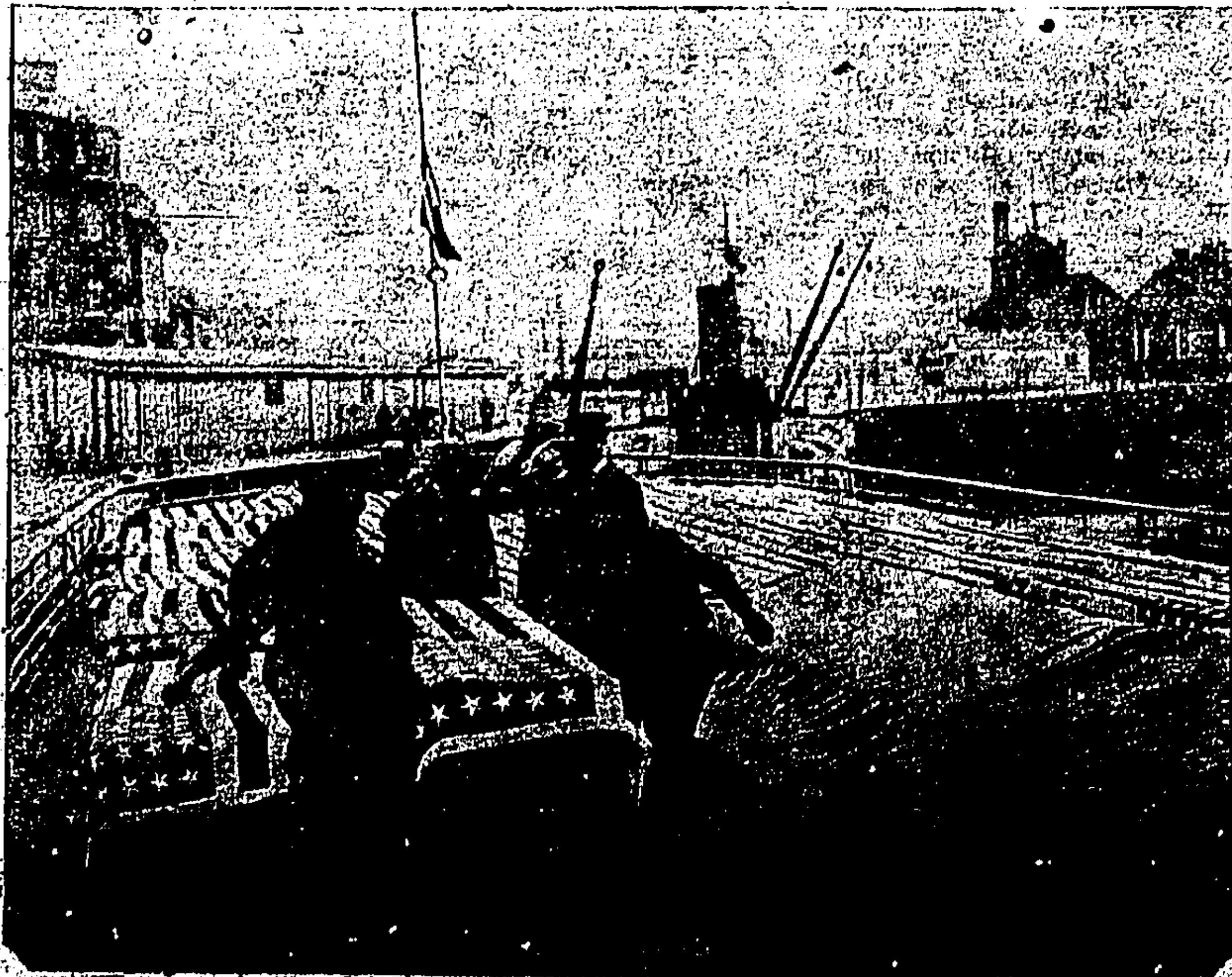
Typical scene of desolation in the Newfoundland area stricken by the recent disastrous earthquake tidal wave which drowned nearly thirty and destroyed thousands of dollars' worth of property. Photo shows remains of fishermen's catches caught by the inundation. Houses were found five miles out at sea, where they had been swept by the flood.

Children Inherit Radium Poison



Radium poisoning she contracted in watch dial factory has been inherited by her children, Lillian, 9 months; Michael, 3; Robert, 8; Eugene, 11; Mrs. Frances Moore alleges in \$250,000 suit.

America's Hero Dead



Caskets containing the bodies of 75 American soldiers who were killed in Russia during the World War being transferred by tender at Cherbourg, France, to the liner President Roosevelt, which is bringing them home for burial in America soil. Liner reached New York on November 23.

Wyoming's 1st Governor



Senator Francis E. Warren, Republican, of Wyoming, who died in Washington a few weeks ago. He served with the 49th Regiment, Massachusetts Volunteer Infantry, receiving the Congressional Medal of Honour for gallantry on the battlefield at the Siege of Fort Hudson. Senator Warren was elected to the Wyoming State Legislature, was appointed Governor of Wyoming in 1885 by President Arthur and in 1889 by President Harrison. He was the first Governor of Wyoming to be elected when that state joined the Union.

Backed by Party Chiefs



Speculation is rife in Washington over the identity of the successor of the late Secretary of War Good. Patrick J. Hurley, of Tulsa, Okla., Assistant Secretary of War, has the backing of Southern and Mid-Western Republicans.

In Papal State



Father John Hagen, 82 years old, who says he is lonely after twenty-three years of being the only American resident of the Papal State and wishes one or two of his fellow-countrymen might join him. Father Hagen went to the Vatican twenty-three years ago to become director of the astronomical observatory there for three different Popes.

Heads Commission



James R. Garfield, recently appointed chairman of President Hoover's Commission on Conservation and Administration of the Public Domain. Garfield is the son of former President Garfield and at one time filled the post of Secretary of the interior.

Former Soviet Consul



Exclusive photo of M. Melnikov, former Consul-General at Harbin, who was recently released from jail by the Chinese who insisted that he had been spreading Communist propaganda throughout Manchuria. He is now in Chita, Siberia.

Spanish Diplomat



Sir Charles Randal, Attache of the British Government in Paris and Carlos De La Haza, plenipotentiary of the Spanish Government in France, set out to see America for the first time. Chicago appeared to them although it was there that their visit nearly ended disastrously. While riding in a taxicab, they were seriously injured. The Spanish official shown above still bears evidence of the accident.

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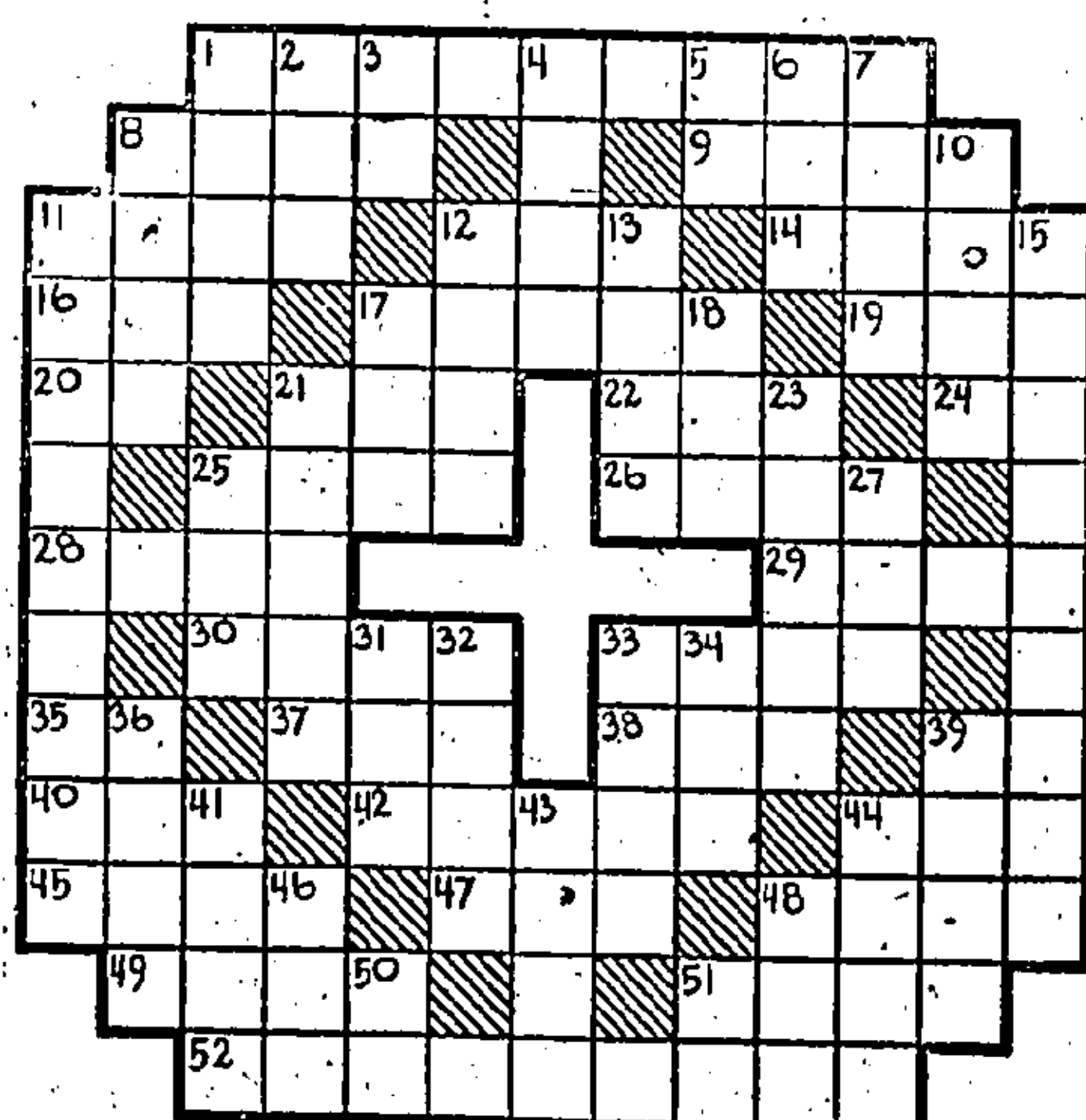
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DAILY CROSS-WORD PUZZLE.

(This cross-word puzzle has been made by an expert but
our readers are warned to look out for occasional phonetic
spellings, such as harbor, plow, and altho.)



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|------------------------|---------------------------|-------------------------|
| HORIZONTAL | HORIZONTAL (Cont.) | VERTICAL (Cont.) |
| 1-Anything that stim- | 39-Type that has been | 10-Venture |
| 2-Asound | 40-The liquid juice of | 11-Having no smoke |
| 3-Reeled | 41-Plants | 12-Egyptian sacred bull |
| 11-A branch of a deer | 42-Savor | 13-Ennare |
| 12-Insect | 43-Reverend (abbr.) | 14-Story |
| 13-Design | 44-Structure for stor- | 15-Before |
| 14-Deface | 45-A golf term | 21-Pertaining to the |
| 17-Held in reserve | 46-Disease | 22-Kidney |
| 18-Period of time | 47-Not one | 23-Relieves |
| 19-Opera (abbr.) | 48-Sand | 24-Part of foot |
| 20-Portuguese coin | 49-Teething | 25-Blind or tie |
| 21-Metric land measure | | 26-To sleep, as fax |
| 22-Comparative ending | | 27-Tidy |
| 23-Adjective | | 28-Saltate |
| 24-Attergoon social | | 29-Point of compass |
| 25-Famous | | 30-Chief |
| 26-Famous college of | | 31-Closely confined |
| 27-Famous college of | | 32-Frudge |
| 28-Scandinavian myth. | | 33-Profic. Half |
| 29-Gain | | 34-Shower |
| 30-Paroite | | 35-A unit |
| 31-Printer's measure | | 36-A relative (abbr.) |
| 32-Famous Confederate | | 37-Profic. in |
| 33-general | | 38-A liquid measure |
| 34-Association (abbr.) | | 39-Flip |

(The solution of the above cross-word puzzle will appear in
to-morrow's issue along with a new cross-word puzzle.)

RADIO TOPICS



The following programme will be
broadcast to-day from the Hong
Kong Broadcasting Station Z.B.W.
on 355 metres:-

5-7 p.m.—Programme of H.M.V.
& Victor records supplied by
courtesy of Messrs. Moutrie.
"The Merry Widow—Potpourri"
(Franz Lehár).
Merck Weber and His
Orchestra.
"Neath the Desert Moon"
(Ewing).
"Yellow sands"..... Arthur Meale.
"Lilac Domino"—Vocal Gems
(Cavillier).
"Chocolate soldier"—Vocal Gems
(O. Strauss).
Light Opera Company.
"I'm leaving Tipperary" (arr. Pat.
White—Leonard Joy).
"McCarthy's Mare"..... Pat White.
"Poet and Peasant Overture"
(Von Suppe).
Victor Symphony Orchestra.
"Sigh no more ladies" (Stevens).
"I'll sing thee songs of Araby"
(Clay).
"Die Fledermaus"—Overture.
(Johann Strauss).
Victor Symphony Orchestra.
"The Rosary" (Nevin-Kreislér).
"Mighty Lak a Rose"
(Nevin-Kreislér).
"Chimes of Normandy"—Overture
(Planquette).
"The Jesters"—Overture (Ganne).
Continental Symphony
Orchestra.
"Fancy our meeting" ("That's a good
girl"—Clarik & J. Meyer).
"The Beggar" (Snyder).
Lillian Davies, Soprano.
"Jolly Fellows"—Waltz
(R. Volstedt).
"Amourcuse" (Rodolphe Berger).
International Novelty
Orchestra.
"Prelude in C sharp Minor"
(Rachmaninoff, Op. 3, No. 2).
"Spinning Song"
(Mendelssohn, Op. 67, No. 4).
Sergei Rachmaninoff.
"La Paloma"—Fox Trot (Yradier).
"O Solo Mio"—Waltz
(Di Capua).
Nat. Shikret and the
Victor Orchestra.
"How am I to know?"
(Dorothy Parker—Jack King).
"Please come back to me"
(Eugene West—Gene Austin).
Gene Austin.
"Spanish Dance No. 1"
(Moszkowski, Op. 12).
"Spanish Serenade"
(Georges Bizet).
Victor Concert Orchestra.
"Another bedtime story—Cinderella"
(Wynne).
Wish Wynne, Comedienne.
"Minstrel Show of 1929"
Victor Minstrels.
7.48 p.m.—Weather Report.
9 p.m.—Chinese Programme.
10.30 p.m.—Close Down.

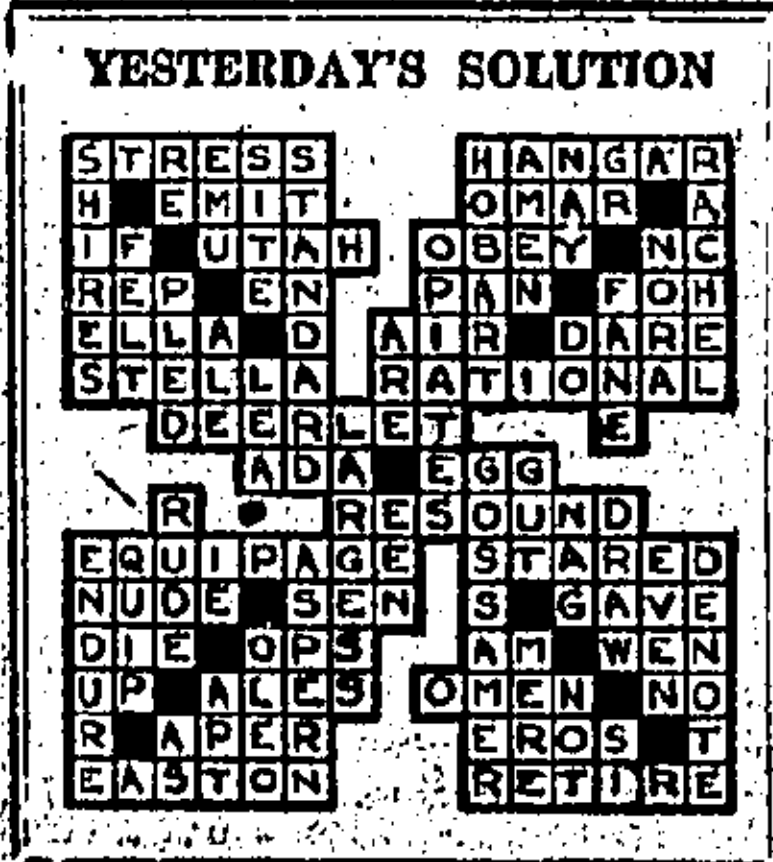
REGIONAL STATION Transmission of London Programmes

The first British regional broad-
casting station built at Brookman's
Park near Potter's Bar, 15 miles
north west of London, has now been
put in permanent service for the
transmission of the London pro-
grammes.

The old transmitter situated in
the heart of London has been closed
and henceforth the London pro-
gramme will be broadcast by the
first of two power transmitters to
be installed at the new Brookman's
Park station. Later on the second
transmitter, operating on a dif-
ferent wavelength, will come into
operation for the transmission of al-
ternative programmes.

Under the Prague plan ten ex-
clusive wavelengths have been
allotted to Great Britain and the
opening of the regional station
marks the first step in the re-
organisation scheme of the British
broadcasting system. In its final
form this scheme will provide for
five regional stations, each com-
prising twin highpower broadcast
transmitters radiating distinctive
programmes on the ten exclusive
wavelengths thus providing alter-
native programmes for the whole of
Great Britain.

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The broadcasting transmitters at
Brookman's Park which have been
manufactured in accordance with
the special requirements of the
British Broadcasting Corporation
by the Marconi Company, are known
as type PB, and are rated at 50
kw, unmodulated aerial input, at a



maximum linear modulation of 80
per cent. Modulation takes place in
a stage of small power, which is
amplified by successive stages till
it is delivered to the aerial.

The aerial input power of the
new transmitter now in use at
Brookman's Park is, however, re-
stricted to 30 kw, which is the
limit imposed by the Post Office
Authorities; and it is not anticipat-
ed that the full power available will
be used.

The type PB transmitter consists
of five totally enclosed units con-
structed of aluminium panels with
glass fronts, tastefully finished in
dove grey cellulose, with polished
borders. A control table of similar
finish is provided for controlling the
circuits and the various machi-
nes supplying power to the trans-
mitter.

The two transmitters are fitted
along the sides of the main hall of
the building facing each other with



Mrs. William Byrd, grandmother of the intrepid explorer, listen-
ing to a radio report as her famous grandson flew over the South
Pole, the first to do so. Commander Byrd was also the first to fly over
the North Pole, making the trip with the late Floyd Bennett as pilot,
and now holds a record which will be difficult to equal. Mrs. Byrd
admitted being thrilled by her grandson's daring.

the two control tables between
them. The station building is
situated centrally with regard to
the four insulated self-supporting
200 feet masts, each pair of which
carries the aerial system for one
of the transmitters. The energy
from the transmitters is conveyed by
feeders to small buildings situated
under the down leads of the aerials;
the feeder coupling to the down
leads of the aerials being located in
these buildings.

Considerations of air transport
have imposed a limit on the height
of the masts which were allowed to
be erected in the district and for
this reason alone the height of the
masts has been fixed at 200 ft.
The span between each mast is 600
feet and there is 900 feet between
the centre of each aerial. Naviga-
tion lights are provided for the
safeguarding of aircraft. The
earthing arrangement consists of
a number of wires buried under the
aerial and extending beyond them.

Underground Land Lines

Leading out of the main trans-
mitter hall are two control rooms,
where the programmes are received
from the studios at Savoy Hill by
underground lines. These rooms
contain the necessary amplifying
and control gear to amplify the
music and speech before it is de-
livered to the transmitter. In the
front part of the station building
are offices, messrooms, etc. and two
soundproof rooms, one for each
transmitter, for checking the quality
of the transmission by loudspeaker.
Finally there is a room which may
be used for transmitting local
speech or music if required.

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station is generated on the site by
means of four 300 H. P. Diesel
engines driving D.C. dynamos which
provide current for the running of
the 10,000 volt high-tension to ma-
chines and the various motor ge-
nerators for filament lighting etc.

In the design of the new trans-
mitters particular attention has
been paid to the provision of a con-
stant frequency carrier wave, deep
and distortionless modulation, free-
dom from harmonics and overall
reliability and economy of main-
tenance.

With the opening of its first
regional broadcast station Great
Britain, which has always been in
the foreground of broadcasting
development, has again set up a
new criterion of quality and re-
liability.

Reports on reception received
from abroad indicate that the
quality is good; and, what is more
important, there have been no com-
plaints that the station interferes
with its neighbours. In the wave-
length plan even though its power
is about 30 kw. in the aerial. This
is valuable testimony to the con-
stancy of the Marconi broadcasting
transmitters.

FUTURE OF RADIO

Claims for New Invention

London, Nov. 28.
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ed simultaneously in London, Cape
town, Sydney, Montreal, and
Calcutta, was one of the many
extraordinary claims made for a
new invention in high-
speed telegraphy by Colonel Adrian
Simpson to-night at a dinner in the
Hyde Park Hotel.

The device, was invented by Dr.
James Robinson, late chief wireless
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Another claim made for the ap-
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From	Per	TUESDAY, JANUARY 14.
Japan	Iyo Maru	
Japan	Bokuyo Maru	
WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 15.		
Saigon	General Metzinger	
Swatow	Cremer	
THURSDAY, JANUARY 16.		
Australia and Manila	Kaga Maru	
FRIDAY, JANUARY 17.		
U.S.A. (Seattle, December 28, 1929), Canada,		
Japan and Shanghai	President McKinley	
Japan and Shanghai	Khiva	
Calcutta and Straits	Shirala	
Europe via Suez (Letters and Papers, London, Dec. 19 & 20, 1929)	Karmala	
SATURDAY, JANUARY 18.		
Japan and Shanghai	Siberia Maru	
SUNDAY, JANUARY 19.		
Straits	Haruna Maru	

OUTWARD MAILS

For	Per	TUESDAY, JANUARY 14.
Swatow and Amoy	Antung	3.30 p.m.
San Shui and Wuchow	Anjou	4 p.m.
Manila	President Taft	4.30 p.m.
Formosa	Nitto Maru	5 p.m.
Swatow	Foo Shing	5 p.m.
Shanghai, Japan, Canada, U.S.A., C. & S. America and *Europe via Vancouver, B.C.	Empress of Canada (Due Vancouver, B.C., Jan. 31 and *Europe via Siberia.)	
	Parcels	Jan. 14, 5 p.m.
	Registration	Jan. 15, 9.15 a.m.
	Letters	Jan. 15, 10 a.m.
WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 15.		
Swatow	Kueichow	8.30 a.m.
Manila, Sandakan and Rabaul	Calulu	10 a.m.
Amoy	Luchow	1.30 p.m.
Shanghai, Japan and *Europe via Siberia	General Metzinger	2.30 p.m.
THURSDAY, JANUARY 16.		
Amoy and Formosa via Swatow	Deli Maru	8.30 a.m.
Straits	Cremer	10.30 a.m.
Straits and Calcutta	Sui Sang	
	Parcels	Jan. 16, Noon.
	Letters	Jan. 16, 1 p.m.
Swatow	Hydrangea	2.30 p.m.

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VISIT TO FAMINE PROVINCES

REPORT OF A SPECIAL INVESTIGATOR
2 MILLIONS DOOMED

Peking, Yesterday. Mr. Grover Clark, the special investigator for the Chinese International Famine Relief Committee, has just returned from a tour in Shansi and Shensi to see what reliefs have been accomplished in those provinces.

In Shansi \$3,000,000 were spent on relief last year, two-thirds of which was raised within the province. In Shensi \$2,000,000 were expended, of which sum a bare \$100,000 was raised in the province. Missionaries declare that the money has been properly used. In spite of these large expenditures, conditions in some parts are horrible, as an unusually severe winter has wiped out hundreds of thousands of people whose half-starved condition, the lack of fires, and even of clothes, prevented fighting the cold. In some parts of Shensi the temperature is 30 degrees below zero, the lowest for forty years.

The worst famine section is the Wei River Valley in Shensi. One year ago the population here was 6,000,000 of whom 2,000,000 died during 1929, mostly from famine causes. It is estimated that a further 2,000,000 are doomed to die before June, as there will be no spring crops, because no grain has been planted this winter, and because transportation difficulties will prevent relief from outside. Transportation is practically wiped out, the animals having been eaten, and the vehicles broken up for fuel.

Shocking Conditions

In many places coal is \$118 a ton, and charcoal \$190 per 1,000 catties. Food where obtainable, is more than ten times the normal price.

In one group of ten villages the investigators found one room with a roof, the rest of the houses having been demolished for the sake of the woodwork, for fuel. In the Wei River Valley there are 300,000 soldiers who have forced those who have food to give it up, but even they are now reduced to a ration of 12 oz. of grain daily, which is only two ounces above the amount that the Relief Societies estimate sufficient to keep up bare life in a famine victim.

The investigators took a quantity of doughnuts to one village of 800 people, who had not tasted grain for three months. The sight of the first food seen for months turned the starved, half-dazed, and moribund people into snarling wolves, whom the soldiers were forced to beat with whips, before the distribution of the food was possible.

Doomed to Die

The cause of the present con-

GENERAL B. BOOTH'S LAST DAYS

WIDOW ISSUES TRAGIC STORY: TOUCHES OF PATHOS
BITTER ATTACKS

A remarkable heart-cry, in the shape of a pamphlet distributed to 1,000 field officers of the Salvation Army, has just been uttered by Mrs. Bramwell Booth, widow of General Bramwell Booth, says a London message of December 11.

She discloses, in this pamphlet, the tragedy of the General's last days, which ended in his deposition from leadership and death. Family squabbles, internal dissensions and intrigue talk largely in the story she tells.

"For some time," says Mrs. Booth, "the General had borne heavy responsibilities on behalf of his sister, Commander Eva Booth, who constantly resented his authority and did not hesitate to let this be known in the United States."

"In 1922 and 1923 American newspapers attacked the General with great bitterness, and at no time did Commander Eva issue any contradiction of these false and misleading statements."

Campaign of Calumny

From that time, Mrs. Booth alleges, there was waged a campaign of calumny behind the General's back, emanating from a Salvationist source in the United States, with its chief representative in this country, a man who had been "near to the General's heart."

That his own relatives were attacking him, says Mrs. Booth, was the General's greatest pain, and preyed on his mind so much that it led to his breakdown in health. The tragic meeting by the Gen-

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dition is believed to be primarily that there were no crops between the spring of 1927 and the autumn of 1929, the latter being barely 15 per cent. of the normal crop. Subsidiary causes are the burden of troops on the province, and civil disturbances.

The investigators believe there is no hope of saving the 2,000,000 people expected to die before June. It would probably cost ten times the purchase price of the grain to get it into the famine area, if indeed transportation were possible.

The irony of the situation is stated to be that given peace, \$500,000 Gold would cut a tunnel through the mountains to tap the Yellow River and irrigate a million acres in the Wei River Valley, and banish for ever the fear of further famine.

In parts of south-west Shansi conditions are still serious, but Yen Hai Shan is constantly sending relief grain and seed grain.

The investigators found it absolutely impossible to reach Kansu, owing to the lack of transportation facilities, apart from walking.—Reuter.

UNIQUE COINCIDENCE AT WHARVES

TWO EMPRESSES AND TWO PRESIDENTS
AN IMPOSING QUARTETTE

The not too common sight of two Empress liners on either side of one wharf at Kowloon was provided yesterday. Early in the morning, the Empress of Russia came in from Vancouver via Honolulu (being the second of the line to have called there), Japan and Shanghai, literally overflowing with Chinese emigrants who have made good and come home to enjoy China New Year—with exchange altogether in their favour.

During the day, prior to the Russia's departure for Manila, the Empress of Canada came out of dock and also proceeded alongside the wharf at Kowloon Godowns. The Canada was spick and span after overhaul while the Russia showed signs of having encountered heavy weather when crossing the Pacific. One of the lifeboats was lowered on to the wharf almost immediately after arrival.

To add to the imposing appearance of the Kowloon waterfront, two President liners were also there yesterday. The American Mail Line President Jackson which left this morning for Shanghai, Japan, Honolulu and San Francisco, was at one wharf and, close by, was the Dollar Line President Taft, which came in during the afternoon from San Francisco, bound for Manila.

A further coincidence was the arrival yesterday of the Nippon Yusen Kaisha Korea Maru, which also came in from San Francisco via usual ports and tied up to a harbour mooring.

eral of the deputation of his chief officers from the High Council calling on him to retire is described by Mrs. Booth for the first time.

"Looking back" she says, "I almost regret that the deputation was allowed to see the General. His doctors were opposed to it, and it was only the fear that refusal would be misinterpreted that led us to grant the request."

Crushing Blow

Twelve days after Commissioner Higgins dealt what Mrs. Booth describes as a "terrible and crushing blow." The occasion was when the General was strongly advised by his lawyers to seek the Courts' ruling on the matter of Army constitution.

Commissioner Higgins wrote to the General:—"That you could be guilty of going to the Courts... has so stirred me and produced such indignation that... I have consecrated myself to resist to the last drop of blood I have... You have alienated the sympathy which was felt for you."

Mrs. Booth adds another touch of pathos.

On the day of the centenary celebrations of his father's birth, from which he was completely excluded, General Bramwell Booth dedicated, in his own home and under the Salvation Army flag that had been round the world with him his youngest grandchild—Bramwell William Booth—to the service of the Salvation Army, from the leadership of which he had just been deposed.



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